

NZEI News 2009/17

To: Branches, Aronui Tōmua, Komiti Pasefika and District Councils

Congratulations Certificates for Provisionally Registered Teachers

September 2009

KEY POINTS:

- Successful end-of-year celebration ceremonies for members are organised by many NZEI Te Riu Roa District Councils, Branches, Aronui Tomua and Komiti Pasifika.
- A congratulations certificate is available from NZEI Te Riu Roa for presentation to members who are completing their first two years of teaching and have been undertaking their advice and guidance programme successfully.
- The NZEI Te Riu Roa congratulations certificate is provided as collegial recognition of induction into the teaching profession.
- Please note these certificates do not equate to being awarded full registration, and provisionally registered teachers must apply directly to the New Zealand Teachers Council to be granted full registration status.

ACTION:

Branch and District Council Secretaries

- Copies of the NZEI Te Riu Roa congratulations certificate for members who are completing their period of provisional registration are available for use. Contact congratulations@nzei.org.nz
- Ensure your District Council, Branches, Aronui Tomua and Komiti Pasifika remind teachers who are already in their eighth term of their advice and guidance period of provisional registration, and who are eligible, that they must apply to the New Zealand Teachers Council to be granted full registration status.

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Dear Colleagues

NZEI Te Riu Roa Congratulations Certificates

Over past years many NZEI Te Riu Roa District Councils, Branches, Aronui Tomua and Komiti Pasifika have established a practice of holding end-of-year functions to congratulate those teachers with provisional registration who have successfully completed at least 2 years of supervised teaching and are now moving to full registration.

The practice of acknowledging this important milestone in a teacher's career highlights the value placed on full registration. It affirms the professional status of teachers and helps develop an understanding of the supportive and collegial nature of the teaching profession. It underpins the support and collectivity that NZEI Te Riu Roa, as the largest education union, can provide.

NZEI Te Riu Roa provides a congratulations certificate signed by the National President and the local Branch President or District Council Chair for use at such functions. A copy of the NZEI certificate is attached.

New Zealand Teachers Council Request

The New Zealand Teachers Council has asked NZEI to make it clear that the NZEI certificate is not a certificate of registration. The Teachers Council has had some teachers claim they believed they had become fully registered teachers when they were presented with the NZEI congratulations certificate. The Teachers Council wants to ensure teachers are aware that application for full registration must be made to the Teachers Council using the Form TC 2, available on their website.

Official Certificate of Full Registration

The New Zealand Teachers Council sends an official full registration certificate directly to the teacher, once it is determined by the Council that the criteria for gaining full registration have been met, and full registration is granted. This may occur after the end of the year.

Yours sincerely



Frances Nelson
National President
Te Manukura

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congratulates

on successfully completing two years of teaching
as a provisionally registered teacher
and invites you to join with other members
of this NZEI Te Riu Roa branch in

- advancing the cause of education
- respecting and upholding the professional status and individual rights of members
- giving honour and effect to the Treaty of Waitangi and
- abiding by the NZEI Te Riu Roa Code of Ethics.

District Council Chair/Branch President

National President
Te Manukura

Date