

Maximum Teaching Time – Area Schools

Maximum teaching time – Area School Teachers’ Collective Agreement

An area school teacher is entitled to time each week during her/his school’s scheduled teaching time, where she/he is not required to teach in front of the classroom.

These hours are called non-contact time and are used for other duties, such as administrative responsibilities, and attending to the pastoral needs of students.

Full-time teachers who mostly teach years 7-13 (for 80 per cent or more of their teaching time) are entitled to a maximum of 20 hours of timetabled classroom teaching time each week.

Clause 4.2.3 of the Area School Teachers’ Collective Agreement sets out the maximum timetabled classroom teaching time for part-time teachers who mostly teach years 7-13.

Clause 4.2.3(d) – Area School Teachers’ Collective Agreement

Full-time teachers who don’t mostly teach years 7-13 are entitled to an average of 24 hours of maximum timetabled classroom teaching time per week.

Clause 4.2.4 of the collective agreement provides that part-time teachers (0.8 full-time teaching equivalent or more) who don’t mostly teach years 7-13 are entitled to an average maximum timetabled classroom teaching time of 0.96 of the hours for which they’re employed.

Clause 4.2.4 – Area School Teachers’ Collective Agreement

Board responsibilities – maximum teaching time

Your school’s board is responsible for the policy on what non-contact time can be used for, as set out in clause 4.1 of the collective agreement.

Clause 4.1 – Area School Teachers’ Collective Agreement

The Board can delegate the development of the policy to the principal, in consultation with teachers. The Board then needs to approve the final policy and ensure it meets the provisions of the Area School Teachers’ Collective Agreement.

Clause 4.2 – Area School Teachers’ Collective Agreement