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Brett Weeden
A/Executive Director
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Dear Brett,

I refer to your letter dated 3 March 2022 and our letter dated 2 March 2022.

It is apparent from the contents of your letter that there is a fundamental misunderstanding within the Department of Education (DOE) about the role of the Department and the role of parents.

This is apparent (in part) due to the following statements:

"At the outset, I wish to assure you that the health and wellbeing of students and staff in all schools is a priority for the department."

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"While the department encourages vaccination for all eligible Queenslanders,"

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"The department is continuing to encourage COVID safe practices, including vaccination"

It should go without saying that the health and wellbeing of students should not be a priority of the DOE. The DOE is the provider of prepaid education services (paid courtesy of the taxpayer). It should go without saying that providing these services takes priority over promoting dubious (to say the very least) medical products manufactured by foreign corporations. Particularly when one of those corporations has a long history of criminal conduct and currently holds the record for the largest criminal fine against a corporation.

Of course, we are not suggesting that staff at the school do not have obligations to take reasonable steps to ensure the physical safety of the children in their care during school hours, or to report suspected incidents of abuse. However, the health and wellbeing of a child is the responsibility of the parents which, as previously advised to the DOE, take issue with the DOE attempting to usurp such responsibility.

With respect to the continual promotion of dubious medical products of foreign corporations, this should never occur on premises paid for by the public under any circumstances. Individuals employed by the DOE are working at the expense of taxpayers, not international corporations that manufacture and distribute dubious medical products.

Any taxpayer funded employee that promotes the products of private companies during work hours is misappropriating taxpayer funds, to say the least. And they should not be surprised if legal action is taken against them in the future by aggrieved taxpayers.

This particularly includes the Minister of Education, who holds public office and is a public servant. They are not the Public Relations Manager for Pfizer or Moderna and they should cease acting like one. Alternatively, they can resign from public office so they can work fulltime for them moving forward, rather than just part-time as they have been doing for the last 18 to 24 months.

Once again, I respectfully request that the school and its staff cease promoting "Covid-19 vaccination" on behalf of Pfizer and Moderna. It is the best interests of public servants that they cease such behaviour as the consequences of continuing to do so is not in the best interests of any of us.

Should you wish to address Queensland parents' and taxpayers concerns about their children and your students, please do so at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

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