

Queensland Independent Schools SUMMIT

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GUEST SPEAKER



Deanne Fishburn

Director (CEO), Queensland College of Teachers

Deanne Fishburn commenced as the Director (CEO) of the Queensland College of Teachers (QCT) in May 2019.

Deanne began her journey at the QCT with the Professional Standards Unit in 2007 and has since played a key role in implementing national reforms for Initial Teacher Education and Professional Standards in Queensland. She is a registered teacher and a recognised leader with significant influence on teacher regulation across Australia.

Through her time as a teacher and now in regulatory work, Deanne recognises the complexities of teaching. She is strongly committed to the priorities of the QCT in upholding high standards for the profession, child safeguarding and promoting the work of Queensland teachers.

As Director, Deanne supports the QCT Board in delivering the Strategic Plan and administering the legislative functions to efficiently regulate the teaching profession in Queensland.

In addition to her teaching qualifications, Deanne holds a Masters of Business Administration (MBA) majoring in public policy and is a graduate of the Company Directors course of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Deanne has been the Convenor of the Australasian Teacher Regulatory Authorities (ATRA) since 2023 and will pass on this role in July 2026. She was the Convenor of the 2024 International Forum of Teacher Regulatory Authorities (IFTRA) Conference held in Brisbane, Australia.