



Quaker Peace & Legislation Committee

ACTION ALERT: MILITARISATION of EDUCATION

QPLC are inviting Friends in regional meetings to seek to meet their State/Territory Ministers of Education about the increasing militarisation of education in primary and secondary schools. To equip people for this, we are facilitating a webinar which will provide a briefing about the issue, and suggestions for how to lobby decision makers.

Webinar: 6.30-8pm (AEST), Wednesday 30 October

- **Elise West, Author of MAPW report “[Minors and Missiles](#)” and Teachers for Peace**
- **Margaret Clark, Let’s Lobby!**

The Australian Education Union is deeply committed to peace, opposes militarism and asserts that war should never be used to resolve international conflict. There have been too many times in history when warmongering and armaments build-up have led to international conflict, death and destruction. Australian Education Union, March 2023

Important, inspiring and useful resources:

- *Raising Peace Festival 2023 Minors and Missiles* (1.32 video) which draws from the 2022 report by the same produced by the Medical Association for Prevention of War (MAPW). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bRialSdnmlg>
- The Raising Peace podcast *Minors and Missiles* is on amazon music at <https://music.amazon.ca/podcasts/ee4e58bd-b79b-4c3c-9732-e4ab14ffea32/episodes/c2eab12d-39a7-4fe1-b21b-13d2f3a545a7/raising-peace-minors-and-missiles>
- The MAPW report, *Minors and Missiles*, can be found at <https://www.mapw.org.au/weapons-industry/stem/>

Lobbying resources including: *Four major steps for a successful lobby visit*, *Lobby Roadmap* and *Six Key Lobby Tips* can be found on the Quakers Australia website:

<https://www.quakersaustralia.info/peace-action-resources>

Please register for the free webinar by contacting the Quakers Australia Peacemaker Jessica Morrison at Peacemaker@quakersaustralia.info. The zoom link will be sent to those who register closer to the day.