



VICTORIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE TEACHING OF ENGLISH

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Andrew Smith  
Chief Executive Officer  
Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority  
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Dear Andrew,

I am writing to you in my capacity as the Victorian Association for the Teaching of English (VATE) President. I am seeking clarification vis-à-vis the status of the VATE **Meet the Assessors** program in 2026. We request formal notice about the directive to Chief Assessors of the four VCE English studies and their inability to participate in the longstanding Meet the Assessors sessions for our Association.

We are keen to inform our 9000+ members of this significant change to VATE's work as soon as possible.

We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Professor Joanne O'Mara  
VATE President