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Rob Stokes and Jihad Dib to sit down with Catholic school parent body ahead of state election

The NSW Minister for Education, Rob Stokes, and Shadow Minister, Jihad Dib, will participate in Facebook Live events in the coming days to discuss the future of Catholic education and education more broadly in NSW.

Hosted by the Council of Catholic School Parents (CCSP), the Facebook Live events will run for 10-15 minutes each, giving Catholic school families a unique opportunity to hear what the Ministers have to say about education.

CCSP Acting Executive Director, Mary Ryan, says that with an election fast-approaching, it is important to CCSP that our diverse parent community, extending from Botany to Broken Hill, are able to hear from our leaders about issues affecting Catholic education.

“It is important to us that when Catholic families head to voting booths on 23 March, that they do so from an informed position, understanding the views of our leaders on the place of Catholic education in NSW.

“Catholic schools educate more than 250,000 students in NSW and our parents and carers are committed to giving their children a faith-based education. These Facebook Live events facilitate a valuable conversation and a chance for Catholic families to gain a better sense of where they stand,” Mrs Ryan said.

Facebook Live event details:

- **Thursday 28 February 2019, 9:30am - Shadow Minister for Education, Jihad Dib**
- **Tuesday 5 March 2019, 10:00am - Minister for Education, Rob Stokes**

To watch the two events, find the Council of Catholic School Parents on Facebook - @cathschoolparents

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The Council of Catholic School Parents (CCSP) is the peak representative body for parents with children in Catholic schools in NSW.