

## Northern Territory Election Result Provides Faith for the Future

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The Australian Association of Christian Schools congratulates the leader of the Country Liberal Party, Lia Finocchiaro, on the successful election result in the Northern Territory.

A key issue for Christian and other religious schools is the ability to employ people who share and uphold the same religious beliefs.

Two years ago, the Fyles Labor Government passed controversial changes to the Anti-Discrimination Act which stripped away freedom of speech and freedom of religion protection for Territorians.

A key commitment made by Ms Finocchiaro in November 2022 following the passage of the bill was that “if elected in 2024, we will restore the freedom of speech and freedom of religion that this Bill has destroyed.”

Executive Officer of the Australian Association of Christian Schools, Vanessa Cheng, said “this result provides a clear mandate for the CLP Government to deliver their election commitment to ensure that fundamental freedoms of speech and freedom of religion protections are restored in the Northern Territory.”

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