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The national voice of parents of children in Australia's public schools and their school communities

# Peter Garrigan



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**Past President ACSSO – Life Member**

Peter became an active participant in the education of young Australians when his eldest child commenced preschool in the early 1990's. He became a member of the preschool committee quickly became involved in public education at a Territory and national level is a strong supporter of Public Education.

His 4 children, all undertook their education in the Northern Territory where Peter served on School Councils as a Member and Council Chair until his last child finished school. Concurrently he held several positions with the NT Council of Government School Organisations (NTCOGSO), the peak parent body in the NT, including that of President. NTCOGSO recognised his contribution to by granting him life membership. Peter held a number of positions on the ACSSO Board and was honoured to serve as ACSSO President from 2009 to 2014. In 2016, Peter was awarded ACSSO Life membership.

Peter believes that a strong and vibrant public education is vital to the survival of Australia's democratic system. The guarantee of access to a free and quality public education should be a right accorded to every child in this country.