

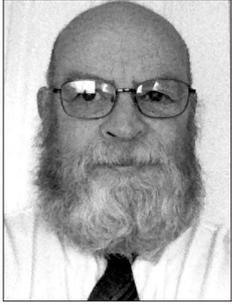


# CANDIDATES' ELECTION STATEMENTS

**Scottish Secondary Teachers' Association**  
Election of Vice President 2019-2021

Please read carefully before casting your vote.

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**Stuart Hunter**

I have been a member of the SSTA for over 20 years and have been actively involved at school, district and national level. I have never underestimated these roles and continue to be humbled in the confidence shown to me to represent members to the best of my abilities.

As teachers, we are being crushed by increasing workloads and undervalued with derisory remuneration. The fundamental core of education, teaching and learning in the classroom, has been lost in the jungle of bureaucracy. The teacher voice must be acted upon for the good of the profession and to ensure the best possible education for pupils.

I sincerely believe that the skills and experience I have gained over the years are an asset that can be utilised as vice president to support and represent the voice of all members in the SSTA.

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**Catherine Nicol**

In these testing times, teachers deserve a strong voice. As SSTA Vice President I will ensure that the voice of Secondary teachers is heard and respected. I have twenty years of experience as a Chemistry teacher.

Excessive workload is having a detrimental effect on the health, pay and conditions of teachers. I am fully committed to advocating for teachers at both local and National levels. Furthermore, I have a wealth of experience as a member of the Executive, Education and Salaries Committees.

We all agree that teachers need the tools to do the job. I strongly believe that it is vital that teachers are fully-supported with high quality resources. I will ensure that, when education policy is being formulated, I will speak up for teachers and demand that decisions reflect their concerns.

As your Vice President I will "Get it Right for Every Secondary Teacher".