

Stand up for

supply teachers



- **Cash for schools not agencies**
- **Stop the rip-off**
- **Fair pay and pensions**
- **We won't break strikes**

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Stand up for supply teachers – stop the agency rip-off!

NUT members are lobbying agencies today to expose the agency rip-off, promote cheaper alternatives to agencies and help secure fair pay and pensions for supply teachers.

We are lobbying in our own time. Feel free to ask us questions!

Why is it a rip-off?

Millions of pounds destined for schools is ending up in the pockets of agencies. Agencies pay their directors six figure salaries, but pay qualified teachers less than £20,000 a year even if they get work every day. Agency teachers' pay is lower than a decade ago – despite the teacher shortage. This isn't right.

How much are schools paying?

Schools now pay supply agencies over £500 million every year. Agencies charge £200 a day for a supply teacher - with about half going to the agency. Supply teachers are paid far less than other teachers, they don't get teachers' pensions or sick leave, and can be dismissed without notice.

What's the alternative?

Supporting local authorities to run their own supply pools – or setting up a central register of qualified supply teachers as in Northern Ireland – would save schools money and pay supply teachers more.

What can you do?

- Find out more at www.teachers.org.uk/supply
- While you're there, use the facility to sign the petitions about the agency rip-off and about Government proposals to turn agency workers into strike-breakers
- If you're a parent, ask your head teacher how much they are paying supply agencies.

Schools need well qualified supply teachers who are paid fairly. Thanks for your support.

