

# SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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## SRE TEACHERS ENGAGEMENT FORM

The Department of Education requires that all non-employees who are permitted to teach Special Religious Education (SRE) in its schools be appropriate and responsible persons. Each authorised religious persuasion must give an undertaking that any SRE teacher authorised to enter NSW Government schools has not had a criminal conviction for any crime against a minor, a conviction for violence, sexual assault or for providing prohibited drugs.

In keeping with current child protection legislation all SRE teachers are required to apply for a Working with Children Check (WWCC) and obtain a clearance number. The number and date of birth must be provided to the approved provider for verification. In response to the above requirements, all SRE teachers must sign the following declaration:

I have:

- Applied for a WWCC and obtained a clearance and received a WWCC number and expiry date.
- Provided the WWCC clearance number, expiry date and date of birth to my approved provider.
- Never been convicted for violence, sexual assault or any crime against a minor
- Never been convicted for providing prohibited drugs.

I understand that if, after signing this declaration, I am later convicted on any matters related to the above offences, I am no longer authorised to enter NSW Government schools.

### Personal Details

Title:  Mr  Mrs  Ms  Dr  Prof  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

WWCC: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Size Photo Attached (Yes/No)

#### Office Use Only

- WWCC verified
- Date of document verified

Name of verified person: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Role: *Special Religious Education (Scripture) Teacher***

**Responsible To: *Seventh-day Adventist Church (North New South Wales Conference) Ltd***  
*Authorised Provider*

**1 Volunteer Tasks:**

With God's help, I commit myself to:

- deepen my union with Christ
- prepare my lessons thoroughly
- attend classes regularly and punctually
- extend my skills through training courses
- work closely with those responsible for the education concerns

**2 Volunteer Statement:**

- (a) I acknowledge that Scripture teachers have responsibilities to the students, their parents, and carers and to the school authorities because of the opportunities given churches in Australia to instruct students in Special Religious Education.
- (b) I undertake to exercise due care for the safety and behaviour of students when teaching or supervising them. I acknowledge that the teaching given to students in the SRE classroom shall at all times be the highest quality possible.
- (c) I agree to carry out those tasks in accordance with the reasonable requests of the school to which I am assigned in a reliable and professional manner.
- (d) I wish to volunteer my service on the above basis to a designated school and I acknowledge that I am responsible to the pastor of that region and the administration of the school in which I instruct.
- (e) I undertake to teach SRE from the approved curriculum materials as directed.

**3 I hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that:**

I do not have any criminal conviction which involves:

A crime against a child;

An act of violence towards another person;

Sexual assault

Provision of prohibited drugs

**4 I understand and agree that:**

- (a) I may be asked to agree to be screened to ascertain my suitability.
- (b) I am required to undertake SRE Accreditation Training as required by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North New South Wales.
- (c) I am required to complete Safe Churches Training as required by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North New South Wales.
- (d) I will notify my authorising agent promptly, if I am charged with any crime referred to in section 3.
- (e) should I fail to meet my commitments as set out above, I could be asked to withdraw from the ministry of SRE in schools.

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Oaths Act 1900.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY THE SRE TEACHER

I \_\_\_\_\_ being a volunteer and  
[insert full name]  
engaged by the Seventh-day Adventist Church (North NSW Conference) Ltd in the  
following role \_\_\_\_\_  
[insert position]

Hereby acknowledge that I have:

- received the above Teacher Authorisation Process inclusive of:
  - Code of Conduct Training
  - Working with Children Check
  - Child Protection Training
  - SRE Teacher Compliance
- read the Teacher Authorisation Processes and am obliged to comply with the Teacher Authorisation Processes, including any amendments made from time to time.

Signature of Declarant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. I saw the face of the person OR\* I did not see the face of the person because the person was wearing a face covering, but I am satisfied that the person had a special justification for not removing the covering; and
2. I have known the person for at least 12 months OR\* I have not known the person for at least 12 months, but I have confirmed the person's identity using an identification document and the document I relied on was *[specify]* \_\_\_\_\_

\* Cross out the words which do not apply.

Name and qualification of Witness (or stamp):

Signature of Witness: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Justice of the Peace or Solicitor)

**SRE ACCREDITATION TRAINING DECLARATION** (to be completed by Church Pastor)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (name) the Pastor of the  
(Name of Pastor)

\_\_\_\_\_ Seventh-day Adventist Church, declare that the  
(Name of the Church)

applicant above is a member of my church, is a committed Christian and practices and teaches Christian principles and values. I recommend this applicant for teaching Scripture classes and ensure that the applicant will attend regular Accreditation Training (minimum of 2 hours) as required by the Seventh-day Adventist Church (NNSW), every twelve (12) months.

Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Church Pastor)

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Curriculum you will be using** *(Please tick):*

God Space  Connect

Other please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Details of your local SRE Coordinator/Supervisor**

Title:  Mr  Mrs  Ms  Dr  Prof  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address : \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**List of School/s that you will be teaching SRE:**

**School Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address : \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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