

Hunter Christian Church

Application, Training and Ongoing Authorisation for SRE Teachers

Hunter Christian Church values the commitment of volunteers who want to be involved in teaching children about the Bible and God's ways, in a school environment. As a church we are committed to doing SRE well; working within the legislation and current policies and procedures.

Applicants who wish to teach Special Religious Education (SRE) as representatives of Hunter Christian Church (HCC) complete the following process:

1. Application for Children's Ministry at HCC

- submitted to church elders for approval.
- Character referees are contacted.

2. HCC SRE Teacher Application

This requires the applicant to supply information including:

- Their current Working With Children Check Approval Number (which is verified by the church office).
- Evidence of Current Child Protection and Code of Conduct Training
- A statement of training that has been completed in the ICCOREIS SRE Teacher Training modules <http://www.iccoreis.asn.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/ICCOREIS-7-Module-Training-Framework.pdf>
- Information regarding the approved curriculum which will be used, and a website address for any other resources being used.
- Assurance that the applicant has had no criminal convictions in certain areas.
- A commitment to ongoing training in the areas of child protection, classroom management, curriculum implementation, use of technology such as interactive whiteboards, data projectors.

Further, the applicant is required to:

- Be aware of and commit to abiding by the DET Code of Conduct and Social Media Policy
- Commit to delivery all content with sensitivity and in an age-appropriate manner
- Take part in an annual review which will provide feedback for further training, and reported on as part of our Annual Assurance process.

Once the applicant has been approved as an SRE teacher representing HCC, the church will provide

- A letter to the school which clearly identifies the approved provider and includes the name of authorised teacher(s), date of birth and contact details.
- An annual update of the above-mentioned letter before the start of term 1 or as required.
- A name tag worn at all times while at the school and authorisation card from the church.
- An annual assurance report to the DET