

Dominican School Position Information Document

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POSITION TITLE	JUNIOR PRIMARY TEACHER
EMPLOYMENT TYPE	FIXED TERM/CONTRACT
FTE	1.0

Key Working Relationships

- Principal / Deputy Principal
- Leadership team
- Teaching and non-teaching staff
- Parents/caregivers, students and other members of the school community

Broad Purpose

To work collaboratively with leaders, colleagues, parents/caregivers and others as applicable to facilitate positive learning by students and engage in educational reform.

The teacher will:

- Apply curriculum knowledge and teaching methods which facilitate successful learning
- Respond to learner's needs
- Develop and maintain positive and effective working relationships
- Provide a balanced and challenging program relevant to the needs of the students (including developing Individual Learning Plans, as appropriate)
- Assess, record and report learner achievement using required programs and systems
- Establish structures and processes to achieve a productive learning environment
- Employ behaviour management strategies which ensure a safe, orderly and successful learning environment
- Ensure that confidential information is handled appropriately
- Carry out other non-instructional responsibilities as required

DUTY STATEMENT

1. Professional Responsibilities

- Fulfil all requirements of the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers
- Operate in accordance with the Charter for Teachers in SA Catholic Schools
- Actively commit to uphold and contribute to the ethos of Catholic schools in general as well as that of Dominican School.
- Comply with relevant legislation as well as South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools (SACCS) and the school's policies, guidelines and procedures
- Meet and teach students at designated locations and times
- Appropriately assist students who are hurt, sick or in distress
- Diligently undertake supervision duties, including regular yard duty

- Complete administrative tasks accurately and on time including record keeping
- Attend staff and other required meetings, parent teacher interviews and other school-related activities as required

2. Content of Teaching and Learning

- Plan a comprehensive learning program in line with Australian Curriculum
- Address students' varying intellectual, emotional and physical abilities in teaching practice
- Identify individual learning needs and styles, and plan learning experiences that enable all students to achieve success (Use of ILP's)
- Know and understand a range of learning methodologies and technologies and their application to the classroom
- Demonstrate best practice in teaching and learning and remain current in knowledge and application and update/adjust practice to achieve same

3. Classroom Management and Behaviour Education

- Establish positive and effective relationships with students
- Establish and maintain a task-oriented learning environment
- Set and adhere to timelines for completion of work
- Work with students to create an attractive welcoming classroom environment
- Maintain standards of tidiness and orderliness
- Ensure necessary equipment and facilities are accessible, available and in readiness for planned activities to suit the learning activity
- Make all reasonable efforts to manage the behaviour of students effectively within the directions of the relevant SACCS policies and procedures
- Consistently maintain behavioural expectations and respond appropriately to student behaviour by applying behaviour management skills as per school policy
- Identify factors contributing to prolonged, repeated or severely irresponsible behaviour and seek resolutions
- Apply effective consequences and strategies to assist students who interfere with teaching and learning

4. Assessment and Reporting of Student Learning

- Maintain accurate and comprehensive records of student progress and achievement
- Use a variety of assessment and reporting methods to regularly monitor learning process
- Use assessment tasks that are purposeful and relevant to the teaching and learning program and the learning needs of students
- Provide students with positive feedback on performance that reinforces student achievement and focuses on improvement
- Provide parents/caregivers and students with detailed, accurate and informative written and oral reports at appropriate times, as required by the school

5. Interaction with the school and broader community

- Demonstrate effective communication skills with students, colleagues, parents/caregivers and others at all times
- Work effectively as a member of the school team to actively and positively support school activities
- Participate in partnerships with colleagues to reflect upon and improve teaching and learning practice in designated curriculum areas
- Positively engage in and undertake professional development, training and professional reviews when required
- Perform other duties as required by the Principal (or delegate)

PERSON SPECIFICATION

- Current Teacher Registration in South Australia and relevant demonstrated knowledge and experience
- Teacher Accreditation in Catholic Education SA
- Demonstrated skills, knowledge and experience relevant to the role requirements
- High level interpersonal skills to interact positively with the school community and be a positive role model and professional representative for the school at all times
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills and able to work collaboratively within a team environment and effectively teach students to achieve required learning outcomes
- Be self-directed and utilise initiative and judgement to fulfil role requirements
- Excellent organisational skills with ability to problem solve and ensure required timelines are met
- Willingness to actively and positively uphold and contribute to the culture and ethos of the School
- Proficient ICT skills and knowledge and ability to fully utilise required systems and programs, or ability to quickly learn and use effectively

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

- Applicable First Aid Certificate relevant to the role requirements
- Current and acceptable Working with Children Clearance and screening to work in Catholic Education SA
- Current valid Responding to Risks of Harm, Abuse and Neglect Education and Care certificate
- CESA Staff do not need to be vaccinated against COVID-19 as a condition of employment, with
 the exception of CESA Staff working in High-Risk Settings. CESA Staff are however strongly
 encouraged to have and maintain an Up-To-Date Vaccination Status in accordance with the
 ATAGI statement. The vaccination requirement for CESA Staff working in High-Risk Settings is
 a condition of employment or engagement unless an exemption is approved in accordance with
 the CESA COVID-19 Vaccination Policy.

WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY

This role is deemed to be a Worker under the South Australian Work Health and Safety (WHS) Act 2012.

As a Worker, while at work you must:

- take reasonable care for your own health and safety
- take reasonable care that your actions or omissions do not adversely affect the health and safety of other persons
- comply, in so far as you are reasonably able to, with any reasonable instruction given by the employer
- cooperate with any reasonable policy or procedure of the employer that is related to health and safety at the workplace that has been notified to workers

(Reference: Division 4, Section 28 – SA WHS Act 2012)

This position information document indicates the general nature and level of work performed by the incumbent and is not a comprehensive listing of all responsibilities, tasks and outcomes.