

# JOB ROLE

# SCHOOL SUPPORT OFFICER

## LEVEL OF GROWTH FOR JOB ROLE



- Projected change of 5.49%
- From 128,176 in 2024 to 135,209 in 2029

## AVERAGE SALARY FOR OCCUPATION



**Entry level**  
(1-3 years' experience)



**Senior**  
(8+ years' experience)

## WHAT DO EMPLOYERS WANT?



### SPECIALISED SKILLS

- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
- Anaphylaxis training
- Curriculum Development
- Learning Support

### EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

- Effective Communication
- First Aid
- Administration
- Problem Solving
- Time Management

### DIGITAL SKILLS

- Student Information Systems
- Learning Management Systems
- Microsoft Office 365

## EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS



### TOP SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIES WHO ADVERTISED FOR THIS JOB ROLE IN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS:

- Preschool Education
- Higher Education
- Social Assistance Services

### TOP SOUTH AUSTRALIAN EMPLOYERS WHO ADVERTISED FOR THIS JOB ROLE IN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS:

- State of South Australia
- G8 Education
- Eden Academy
- Catholic Education South Australia
- Emmaus Christian College

### LOOK FOR JOBS BEING ADVERTISED USING THESE JOB TITLES:

- School Support Specialist
- Assistant Educators
- Learning Support Assistant
- School Support Officer



## YOU MIGHT CONSIDER UNDERTAKING STUDY TO TRANSITION INTO THESE RELATED JOB ROLES:

- Early Childhood (Pre-primary School) Teacher
- Education Manager



## QUALIFICATION PATHWAYS

**Looking to progress your career?** TAFE SA can help you further your study with these courses (\*fees may apply)

- Certificate III in School Based Education Support (CHC30221)
- Certificate IV in School Based Education Support (CHC40221)

Or undertake a range of short courses to supplement your existing knowledge or continue upskilling.

Further information available on the TAFE SA website.



## JOB HOLDER COMMENTS

“Studying at TAFE SA gave me the skills and knowledge to work in a school. I was so impressed with my lecturers – they were friendly, funny, approachable and understanding. It was daunting and challenging juggling a family and my study commitments, but I am in a job I love now”

**Carolyn Brunt**

Certificate III in Education Support (CHC30213)



## NETWORKING WITH INDUSTRY

Networking with industry provides you with opportunities to gain employment, advance your career and stay current with industry changes.

Conferences and workshops are an excellent way to introduce yourself to key industry contacts. Follow these organisations on social media:

- Australian Teacher Aide (ATA)
- The Inclusive School
- Institute of Teacher Aide
- EduGrowth

Consider these opportunities to find employment:

- Send your resume to relevant businesses in your local area
- Look for employment opportunities advertised on
  - the TAFE SA Jobs Board
  - online employment websites like Seek
  - the job board on your local Regional Development Australia (RDA) website



## CAREER SUPPORT

**Not sure where to start?** TAFE SA's Student Services can provide you with a range of career planning support including:

- career planning
- write a winning resume
- how to respond to selection criteria
- cover letters that stand out
- preparing for job interviews

**To find out more, or to book an appointment, visit TAFE SA's Career Support Page: Career Support ([tafesa.edu.au](https://tafesa.edu.au))**

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