

SRE (Scripture) is an amazing ministry and an incredible opportunity to engage children and young people with the Christian faith. We are excited you are starting your journey as an SRE teacher and to join the statewide SRE team! Here are some easy steps towards being part of this wonderful and unique ministry!

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JOIN THE TEAM

We recommend you visit an SRE lesson so that you can see for yourself just how amazing SRE is. All you need is a current WWCC number and a covering letter from the SRE team at the Baptist Association.

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CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

All SRE representatives must have a valid **Working with Children Check Number** (WWCC) as well as completing the Baptist Association's Creating Safe Spaces training (CSS). This training is completed in two parts- online + workshop. Complete **Part 1 online** and **Part 2 via zoom/face to face**. This is renewed every 3-4 years. The Department of Education also strongly encourages SRE teachers to complete their annual child protection course which is free and accessed **online**.

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COMPLIANCE & DOCUMENTATION

Before you start the next stage of SRE specific training, we ask you have a more formal chat with your *Pastor about what is required. They will complete a **Pastor Endorsement Form** and you will complete the Baptist Association's **Code of Conduct & Screening Questionnaire & DoE Declaration**. We also ask you to read the Association's related policies and procedures.

[Safe Ministry Policy](#);
[Procedure for Responding to Child Protection Concerns](#) (NSW & ACT);
[Procedure for Recruitment and Training](#);
[Procedure for Resolving Grievances and Conflict](#);
[Procedure for Handling Complaints](#) (SRE version).
[Curriculum Complaints Policy](#)
[Complaints Flow Chart](#)

*If there is no pastor in your church, you need to ask a senior member of the leadership team to act in this role.

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SRE MODULE TRAINING

Complete our SRE Teacher Training Course. This can be completed online via **Essentials SRE Course** or on zoom or face to face (subject to availability). For available dates check **our website**. Our SRE team can also provide information on upcoming training available.

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APPLICATION FORM

Complete our **online application form**. Once the processing of your application is complete, you will receive an email notification with a letter to teach. You will also receive an authorisation card, first sent to your church for your *Pastor to sign and then hand to you. Your card is valid for 3 years.

Please note, if you attend a non-Baptist Church and seeking authorisation through us, you must contact us before you start the process as we have conditions on this arrangement.

SRE (Scripture) is a wonderful way to serve your school community and is just so incredibly rewarding. Start a conversation with your SRE contact person today and if you need reach out to the Baptist Association, we are here to help!

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