

# QLD TEACHER AIDE - RPL PROGRAM

CHC30213 CERTIFICATE III IN EDUCATION SUPPORT

Version 1.0

## ARE YOU EMPLOYED AS A TEACHER AIDE?

### RPL your Teacher Aide skills, with a nationally recognised qualification in Education Support!

Queensland state schools have an obligation to support their permanent or temporary teacher aides at OO2 (paypoint 4) to access recognition of prior learning toward obtaining a Certificate III in Education Support (RPL). The certificate aims to recognise the existing knowledge and skills of these teacher aides, and support their pathway to a higher paypoint (OO3 - paypoint 1).

While this obligation existed previously, it has been formalised in the latest certified agreement for teacher aides. In this new agreement, the department has committed to incorporating RPL providers into its existing supply arrangements.

This means that schools will now have access to a panel of pre-qualified registered training organisations (RTOs), making it easier for you to source an RTO to conduct RPL for your school's teacher aides.

## QUALIFICATION DESCRIPTION

The CHC30213 Certificate III in Education Support is an ideal qualification for people seeking employment in education roles which provides assistance and support to qualified Educators and Teachers. It is a versatile qualification leading the graduate to work in a range of diverse education environments including schools, kindergartens, preschools, school age care or other education environment in entry level positions. It is the ideal qualification for any prospective student who want to keep their options open for the type of education environment they'd like to work in the future.

This qualification consists of 17 units covering topics such as:

- Working effectively with students, including managing behaviour
- Supporting child/student development and learning within a curriculum framework
- Working with diverse people
- Following legal and ethical frameworks, including child protection

## FEES AND FUNDING

Government subsidies are available to reduce the cost of the qualification, although a student contribution fee will be required. If you do not meet the eligibility criteria, full fees apply.

To be eligible for Certificate 3 Guarantee funding a participant must be:

- Aged 15 years or over
- No longer at school
- Not hold or be undertaking a Certificate level III or higher qualification
- Be an Australian Citizen, Permanent Resident, or New Zealand citizen permanently residing in Queensland

The following fees will apply for students eligible for funding: **\$600** or **(\$300 Concession Price)**

### Fee For Service:

The following fees will apply for students who do not meet the eligibility requirements for funding.

- Enrolment fee: **\$150** (non-refundable)
- Cost per unit: **\$160**
- Total course cost: **\$2870**

Flexible payment plans available!

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## HOW ARE MY SKILLS ASSESSED?

In order for ACCCO to make an initial assessment of RPL, students will be asked to provide the following:

- Transcripts of qualifications completed
- Job description
- Professional development certificates
- Up to date resume outlining work history, skills and knowledge

A student is required to collate and coordinate evidence to show they have sufficient, valid and current knowledge and skills equivalent to the qualification they are enrolled in. Your skills will be assessed against industry standards. This is done by an ACCCO Trainer Assessor. ACCCO doesn't guarantee you will pass the entire qualification.

A visit to your workplace will be organised so you can demonstrate your abilities. You may have to provide job descriptions, references or performance appraisals. The assessor will consider your skills and knowledge and match them against a suitable qualification. RPL is about the student proving that the knowledge, skills and experience they have matches a unit or qualification. The student drives the RPL process by collating evidence to demonstrate their current knowledge, current skills and current experience that are relevant to the qualification they are seeking.

Once the evidence has been collated by the student and submitted, an ACCCO Trainer Assessor will consider the evidence of skills and knowledge the student has provided, matching this evidence against the relevant qualification. This process can take between 4 -6 weeks to assess.

## HOW DO I APPLY?

Once you have made the decision to apply, please send through the required documents to [info@accco.com.au](mailto:info@accco.com.au).

ACCCO will make an initial assessment of RPL then advise the student of the outcome.

## EMPLOYMENT AREAS

The Certificate III in Education Support qualification provides for employment in the following roles:

- Teacher Aide in schools, preschools/ kindergartens
- Education Support staff
- Education Assistant (special needs, language/ literacy, cultural support)
- School Age Care Assistant Educator (vacation care, OSHC, Kindergarten)
- Inclusion Support
- Special School Teacher Aide
- SSO or school Support Officer
- Education Support Worker
- Learning Support Officer or Classroom Assistant

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