



Application Guidelines

ELC Co-Educator 2025

St John's Campus (Highgate)

extraordinary



Vision

Inspiring and equipping hearts, hands and minds for a world of possibilities

Mission

We aim to provide a vibrant education, rich in opportunities, delivered within a caring, supportive environment, empowered by the love of Jesus Christ.

We seek to inspire young people to actively engage in lifelong learning, achieve their best and become global citizens who serve with an open heart.

Values

Our values define our learning community and guide our relationships and interactions

- + Our compassionate and connected community.
- + Serving others in response to the love of God.
- + Nurturing high quality teaching and learning.
- + Excellence in a spirit of humility and grace.
- + Creativity and innovation.
- + Caring for the environment as stewards of God's creation.
- + A global perspective shaped by hope and courage.
- + Resilience in embracing challenges.
- + Our unique heritage.

Motto

*Fortiter in Re,
Suaviter in Modo*

**Firm in Principle,
Gentle in Manner.**

Background — The College

Concordia College has a rich history as an academic and caring school, encouraging and supporting young people to be successful, independent learners.

Our school was established in 1890 in Murtoa, Victoria as a boys' college and training ground for future pastors and teachers. Fifteen years later, it moved to Highgate, a beautiful leafy suburb just 5km south east of Adelaide's CBD.

In 2016, Concordia College and St John's Lutheran School in Highgate, joined together as one College (ELC to Year 12). We amalgamated with St Peters Lutheran School at Blackwood, adding a third campus in January 2023.

- St Peters Campus, Blackwood – ELC to Year 6
- St John's Campus, Highgate – ELC to Year 6
- Concordia Campus, Highgate – Year 7 to Year 12

The ongoing development of the IB curriculum framework, the Australian curriculum, SACE, VET and the continuing exploration of new ways to use digital technologies in support of student learning are important components of the Strategic Plan of Concordia College. All students have access to digital device. Current enrolment is approximately 550 students from ELC – Year 6 and 900 students from Years 7 – 12.



The Curriculum Framework

ELC

The Early Learning Centres (ELC) provide a safe and nurturing environment and is the first step into education at Concordia College from 3 years of age.

YEARS R – 6

The Primary Schools offer the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (IB PYP). It aligns with the Australian Curriculum.

YEARS 7 - 9

The Middle School has offered the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (IB MYP) since 2000. It aligns with the Australian Curriculum.

YEARS 10 – 12

Students complete the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE). VET opportunities are supported.

These curriculum frameworks all promote student-centred learning and the development of independent learning skills designed to equip young people with life-long qualities that extend beyond the classroom into the community. Many school-organised service activities support this.

Connecting • **Empowering** • **Challenging**
Learners *Learners* *Learners*

Learning Well

Learning Intentions and Success Criteria: Clear and explicit statements relating to what students are learning, the purpose of their learning, and what achievement 'looks like'.

Structure and Routines: A consistent learning structure and set of routines are used to support student engagement, reduce cognitive load and assist the development of self-management, and emotional regulation skills.

Relationships and Expectations: A safe learning environment is established through modelling respectful relationships and upholding consistent expectations.

Instructional Model



Connecting
Empowering
Challenging

Learners

Wellbeing Model

Inquiry: Questions and authentic provocations are used to engage students in constructing knowledge, developing skills, and applying their understanding.

Inclusion: Strategies, activities, and interventions are selected, adjusted and used to support the engagement and progress of every learner based on their strengths, interest and needs.

Feedback: Diverse, regular and timely feedback opportunities are provided for students in assisting them to understand their learning performance and the next steps in achieving progress.

Challenges
Academic
Physical
Social
Psychological
Spiritual

Wellbeing is the **equilibrium** between the **challenges** an individual is facing, and the **resources** they have to face them.

Resources
Academic
Physical
Social
Psychological
Spiritual

School Culture

Concordia College supports an environment that encourages the growth of each individual's spiritual, intellectual, cultural, social and physical capabilities.

The heart of Concordia College is expressed in our motto; Firm in Principle, Gentle in Manner. The education and growth of the whole person is central to the purpose of the College and is realised through high expectations within a culture of openness and forgiveness in a Christian community.

Concordia College is an inspiring school environment with professional, caring teachers who provide a firm foundation for students to engage with their learning and build relationships. We believe this is vital in allowing them to strive to achieve their best. This in turn, enables students to be positive contributors to the world through service to others, both locally and globally.

Teaching and Learning

A teacher at Concordia College provides high quality, professional, inspiring and innovative teaching within a supportive community whose principles are underpinned by the values and ethos of Lutheran education. The interface between student wellbeing and engagement in learning is recognised as a key contributor to the holistic development of our students.

Our Instructional Model has a focus on collaborative approaches to teaching and learning to enhance student education and equip them for life beyond school.

Co-curricular, extra-curricular and service opportunities provide contextual and individual experiences for students to enhance the breadth and depth of their experiences.

Position Overview

Lutheran School Officer

A Lutheran School Officer at Concordia College provides high quality, professional, inspiring and innovative assistance within a supportive community whose values are underpinned by the values and ethos of Lutheran education. The Lutheran School Officer's priority is to ensure that support is carried out within the context of the Mission, Vision and Values of the College.

Student wellbeing and engagement in learning is vitally important in the development of students. The vision for the College's Instructional Model is to embed key learning principles into our teaching and learning philosophy, programs and practices, to empower students for now and the future. The College is seeking Lutheran School Officers who genuinely support the learning and well-being of the children.

St John's Campus – ELC – Year 6

The St John's Campus ELC – Year 6, a campus of Concordia College, has undergone significant growth and redevelopment in transitioning to a triple streaming structure. The ELC on this campus has expanded the existing four-year-old program and introduced a three-year-old program. The ELC is an approved Long Day Care provider and is open 48 weeks a year.

As part of this exciting growth phase, from an ELC to Year 6 perspective, the College has implemented key changes to provide increased learning opportunities, enrichment experiences and support for all students, especially in the areas of STEM, Dance/Drama and Physical Education in the early years.

Co-Educator – ELC

Fixed-term position for 2025

20 to 30 hours per week, school term weeks plus one week in each school holidays

Commencing as soon as possible

Co-Educators are required to work alongside Teachers and Educators to provide outstanding care and education to children aged three to five years in a play-based, inclusive learning environment.

Co-Educators are expected to nurture positive relationships with children, parents and colleagues. The role requires a high level of collaboration with colleagues to ensure the best possible outcomes for children.

As a member of a team, the successful applicant will be passionate about working with young children and show evidence of being collaborative, strongly supporting the ethos and values foundational to Concordia College.

Shifts of varying duration will be between 7.30am and 6.00pm.

Familiarity with inclusive education practices is an advantage.



Applications

The Role Description and Application Form for this position can be accessed on the College website, www.concordia.sa.edu.au, under 'About' / 'Employment'. If there are any questions about the position or the application process, please contact Reception, who can put you in touch with the appropriate person.

Applications close 9.00am Monday 31 March 2025, however, will be considered as they are received.

Applications can be posted, lodged in person or emailed to employment@concordia.sa.edu.au

Addressed to:

Mr Paul Weinert
Head of College – Concordia College
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Applications should include the following:

- a brief **covering letter** outlining the applicant's interest in undertaking the advertised position
- an up-to-date **resume** which addresses the selection criteria outlined in the Role Description (no more than three pages in length)
- a chronological summary of qualifications and positions held
- a completed Concordia College **Application Form** (available from the College website)
- names and contact details of **three referees**, preferably one of whom is a Minister of Religion.
- please attach a copy of your current Teachers Registration certificate (for teaching positions), a copy of declared qualifications including academic transcripts (as applicable), current RRHAN-EC, WWCC & First Aid certificates.

Selection Process

The selection panel regards the selection process as a confidential two-way communication process involving applicants and the panel.

The selection panel reserves the right to contact relevant referees contained in the application form and any who have not been nominated by the applicant. Applications that are incomplete, may not be consider further.

Applicants will be selected for interview by the Selection Panel based on the assessment of their written application and details included in the general application form completed by all candidates.

Applicants selected for an interview will be provided with additional information prior to the interview.

Applicants should be aware that interviews will be conducted at the Concordia College on dates to be determined by the selection panel. Interviews with interstate applicants will be conducted via video call.

In the first instance the respective merits of each of the applicants will be assessed against their written application. The interview panel will assess responses to questions asked at the interview, and performance on any other task which may form part of the selection process.

The selection process will be conducted by the selection panel with complete confidentiality.

Applicants should note that they may be required to undergo medical and/or psychological assessment prior to being appointed to the position.



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