State Delivered Kindergarten

Early childhood teaching

A strong start for children in Queensland

Research shows there is an important link between qualified, capable educators and quality early childhood education experiences and outcomes.

University qualified early years and early childhood teachers play a vital role in Queensland state schools prescribed to deliver a State Delivered Kindergarten (SDK) program. Teachers working in prescribed state schools guide the learning, wellbeing and development of kindergarten children in an active, inquiry and play-based learning environment.

SDK teachers must hold an approved teaching qualification and be registered with the Queensland College of Teachers. As employees of the Department of Education, the Teaching in State Education Award 2016 applies.

As a teacher delivering a kindergarten program you will have a rewarding career with opportunities for ongoing professional learning and progression into leadership roles. You can expect to be teaching alongside colleagues who continually strive to provide a strong start for all children, as part of the K-12 state education system in Queensland.

The State Delivered Kindergarten program

SDK programs ensure all children have access to a quality kindergarten program in the year before school, no matter where they live. To participate in SDK, a child must turn 4 by 30 June in the year they attend.

SDK provides age-appropriate, inclusive learning opportunities based on the Queensland kindergarten learning guideline (QKLG), which aligns with Belonging, Being and Becoming (The Early Years Learning Framework) and supported by Foundations for Success.

The SDK program is tailored to meet the unique needs of rural, remote and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families.

Teachers deliver the kindergarten program in a range of class group configurations such as composite (multi-age) class groups (for example, K-1 or K-6) or non-composite (kindergarten only) settings in state schools, supported by teacher aides. Both settings are designed to meet the local school and kindergarten contexts.



The benefits of teaching in State Delivered Kindergarten

Provide a rich learning environment where children can build confidence as learners.

Promote the importance of the early years in school by delivering a quality early childhood program.

Enjoy being valued and part of a local community.

Gain access to competitive salaries, financial allowances, additional leave entitlements and relocation benefits.

Seek adventure, career growth and permanent employment opportunities.

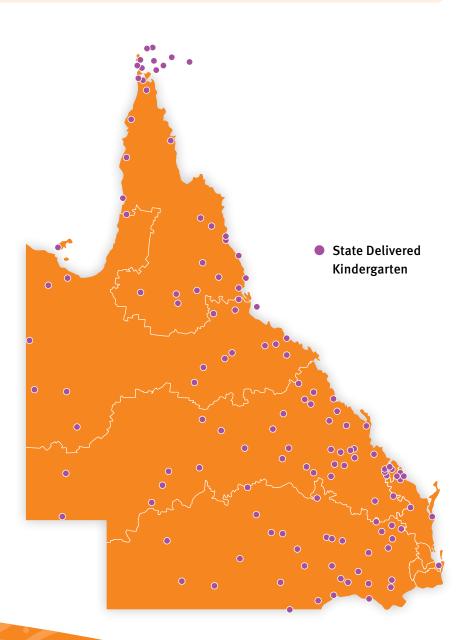
Take advantage of specialised induction programs and professional learning opportunities.

Rural and remote schools

Located in selected rural, remote and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in Queensland, our schools pride themselves on their unique character, size and environment. They are lively, warm and welcoming.

We constantly strive to innovate and explore different ways to improve the learning experiences of children.

Kindergarten programs are currently offered to eligible kindergarten-aged children in selected prescribed Queensland state schools.



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