Teacher Assistant

Application Package

Applications Close: Monday 23 November 2026 at 9.00am

General Information

Catholic Education Tasmania (CET) is a community of thirty-eight schools and colleges serving around 17,000 students and their families across Tasmania supported by the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office (TCEO).

The Archdiocese of Hobart covers the State of Tasmania. The Archbishop of Hobart authorises the existence of all Catholic Education institutes in Tasmania.

Under the governance of the Catholic Education Commission of Tasmania (CECT), Tasmanian Catholic Education Office (TCEO) is responsible for the oversight, funding and coordination of 38 Archdiocesan schools and three TCEO offices.

The Archbishop delegates responsibility to other key bodies including the Catholic Education Commission Tasmania (CECT), the CET Executive Director, School Boards and other groups that support Catholic schools.

Employees are to be familiar with, have an understanding of and uphold the implementation of the Archbishop's Charter for Catholic Schools.

The TCEO, established in 1959, is the central administrative and co-ordinating body for the multi-faceted and diverse mission of Catholic education in Tasmania. One of its prime functions, under the CET Executive Director, is to coordinate the provision of Catholic education at all levels and to communicate and negotiate with appropriate authorities on behalf of all Catholic schools in Tasmania.

Some key documents include:

- The Archbishop's Charter for Catholic Schools
- The Tasmania Catholic Education Single Enterprise Agreement 2024
- CECT Constitution
- CECT Policies
- School Policies

For further information click the following link to access the CET website:
http://catholic.tas.edu.au/

Mount Carmel College is an Early Learning Centre - Year 10 Catholic girls school located in Sandy Bay, Hobart, just a few minutes from the city centre.

The College has a rich history, beginning when Mount Carmel Primary School was founded in 1942 by the Sisters of Charity in View Street, Hobart. In 1947, it relocated to its current site, merging in 1957 with St Joseph's College (founded in 1847) to become Mount Carmel College as a Kindergarten to Year 12 school in the Catholic tradition. Today, in what has been reshaped as an Early Learning Centre - Year 10 College offering a vibrant learning community, we are committed to the development of the whole person: spiritual, academic, social-emotional and physical.

At Mount Carmel College we strive to ensure that our students are nurtured, challenged and cared for. Individuals are encouraged to develop their potential, live their faith and contribute to shaping a socially just society with courage, confidence and integrity. Our goal, working in partnership with parents, is to support our students' educational journey, inspiring them to flourish, to celebrate their many talents and to become advocates of peace and justice.

Generations of young people have had their lives, values and characters shaped through their experience of participating in the life of the College community. We work actively to continue the Charity ethos and traditions in the 21st Century through our commitment to first class learning programs, quality pastoral care, religious education and social justice programs which inspire our students to grow in independence. The students who attend this College inherit the rich tradition of the Church and the legacy of the Sisters of Charity. Our goal is that they learn to actively participate in shaping their world.

Situated in Sandy Bay, Hobart, Mount Carmel's beautiful setting and outstanding facilities provide an inspiring environment for all students. The College enrols boys and girls in its Early Learning Centre, and enrols girls from ELC to Year 10. It supports girls to take intellectual risks and to focus on excellence in achievement. The size of our College, approximately 580 students, is a significant factor in its success. It is just the right size to enable a strong sense of belonging. We understand that girls will thrive in a learning environment where they are known, valued and affirmed.

What makes our College unique is our community of people, our dedication to excellence and our focus on student wellbeing. Our College's commitment to "nurture, challenge and care" is seen in action every single day. Working in close relationship with our families, we enable each student to develop the skills for life-long learning: creative and flexible thinking, resilience, empathy, generosity of spirit and an understanding of their spirituality. Our students are encouraged to identify and pursue academic excellence and to actively partake in sporting endeavours, cultural pursuits and social justice initiatives. Our commitment as educators is to walk with our students on their learning and faith journey, encouraging the students in our care to achieve their full potential. We are constantly challenged to consider new ways to improve our practice in the pursuit of excellence.

We are extremely proud of the College's comprehensive curriculum, excellent facilities and resources, learning support programs, dedicated teaching and support staff, co-curricular activities, pastoral care structures and social justice initiatives. As a community we are committed to ensuring that our students experience a faith-filled education where their talents and efforts are acknowledged, where they are supported to achieve excellence and where they are nurtured to flourish as individuals. The success of the College is due to the hard work and dedication of many people - staff, families, students, and community members - all of whom give life to our mission as a Catholic school in the Charity tradition. It has been characterised by a strengthening of spirituality and of the learning culture in the College.

Role Description

Role title:	Teacher Assistant
Classification:	School Support Employee Level 2
Line Manager:	Head of Department – Student Support
Key relationships:	Teachers, school/TCEO staff, students, parents, volunteers

Role Accountability

The Teacher Assistant is accountable for the effective delivery of quality educational support for students to enable enhanced learning outcomes. The role provides support to teachers in the delivery of defined educational programs and activities and interventions for students.

Within the role, the Teacher Assistant supports the Catholic Identity and Evangelising Mission and works collaboratively with other staff and members of the school community to support students to achieve enhanced learning outcomes.

The Teacher Assistant is responsible to the Principal but will work under general supervision and direction of a teacher or coordinator.

Catholic Education Tasmania Requirements

As an employee in Catholic Education Tasmania,

- you must uphold Catholic belief and practice in all of the Employee's professional activities and refrain from expressing public opinions or engaging in public activity that, in the reasonable opinion of the Employer, would bring the Employer into disrepute.
- you must be familiar with, have an understanding of, and uphold and support the implementation of the Archbishop's Charter for Catholic Schools.

Key Result Areas

<u>Effective learning outcomes for students</u>

- Provide support to the teachers in the delivery of educational programs to students.
- Assist students on an individual or group basis in specific learning areas.
- Assist student learning, where discretion and judgement is required, including providing more individualised approaches and intervention strategies, and assisting in identification of learning needs and evaluation of progress.
- Assist teachers to support participation and learning for students across the full range of physical and intellectual abilities and from diverse linguistic, cultural, religious and socioeconomic backgrounds.
- Assist with the collection, preparation and distribution of learning materials.
- Work with students to use specialised technology where required.
- Support students in class work as required by classroom teachers.
- Assist students with school routines including timetables, lockers, homework and student code of behaviour.
- Assist students with the safe, responsible and ethical use of information communication technology (ICT).
- Provide basic physical, social and emotional care for students, and specific personal care where necessary. For example, assistance with meals, toileting and lifting.
- Assist students on excursions and special events.
- Participate in the monitoring, evaluation and reporting of student learning and programs.
- Communicate to teachers any difficulties, concerns and successes experienced by students or parental concerns.
- Support students with challenging behaviours in accordance with organisational policy and guidelines.
- Supervise students in study group or small group activity settings (conditions apply).
- Undertake yard duty (conditions apply).

Team effectiveness and collaboration

- Support and assist teaching staff and other school support staff to deliver effective student outcomes.
- Work collaboratively with other members of the school community, including parents/guardians, caregivers and volunteers, to enhance student outcomes.
- Develop positive relationships with colleagues and other members of the school community and maintain a positive and professional demeanour at all times.
- Maintain a positive attitude towards new and different ideas and approaches.
- Attend, as required, meetings convened by teachers or by the school.
- Respect and protect staff, student and family privacy and confidentiality.

Personal effectiveness

- Demonstrate integrity and meet the standards of conduct expected.
- Participate in goal-setting processes and respond to opportunities for growth to improve knowledge and practice.
- Overcome obstacles and recover and learn from setbacks through self-development.
- Participate in staff learning programs and attend appropriate professional learning (PL) opportunities when required.
- Seek and apply constructive feedback from supervisors and teachers to improve knowledge and practice.

Resources and organisation

- Plan and organise workflow to accomplish established objectives.
- Use school property, resources and technology in a proper and safe manner in accordance with appropriate standards, policies and procedures.
- Consider the environment and minimise waste.
- Undertake administrative duties relevant to the role.

Safety and professional standards

- Exercise responsibility required in accordance with Work, Health and Safety legislation, and take reasonable care of your own health and safety, and that of other people who may be affected by your acts or omissions at the workplace.
- Contribute to safe systems of work.
- Create a safe and welcoming learning environment for children and young people, congruent with legislative and organisational Child Safe requirements.
- Undertake Catholic Education Accreditation requirements associated with the role.
- Adhere to the requirements of the role in accordance with the professional standards expected of Catholic Education Tasmania and all organisational policies, procedures, codes, guidelines and applicable laws.

Personal Capabilities

- Committed to supporting student outcomes through a service orientation.
- Able to relate to students with varying needs.
- Able to interact appropriately with colleagues, students and parents for different purposes and in different contexts.
- Able to establish and maintain collaborative working relationships.
- Able to apply literacy, numeracy and reasoning skills to effectively undertake the role.
- Able to perform effectively in environments with competing demands.
- Able to exercise judgment and discretion in undertaking duties.
- Able to use initiative to resolve problems and conflicts in a constructive manner.
- Flexible and dependable.
- Committed to professional integrity.

Evidentiary Requirements

Essential

- Valid Working with Vulnerable People Registration
- Accreditation A: Accreditation to work in a Catholic school or willingness to work towards
- Certificate III in Education Support
- Police Check
- Experience in literacy and numeracy intervention

Desirable

- Current First Aid Certificate
- Protective Handling Practices training

Environmental Conditions and Physical Demands

Teacher Assistants work mostly indoors in classrooms, libraries and other school buildings. They may undertake yard duty and accompany school classes on field trips, outdoor activities and camps at times. The physical demands of the role may involve frequent sitting, walking and fine motor skills, and occasional standing, kneeling, squatting/crouching, lifting, carrying, pushing, pulling and reaching. Teacher Assistants will be expected to use a variety of teaching aides, specialised equipment and resources and may be required to undertake a range of protective handling and manual handling techniques.

Additional Position Information

Employment Period:	1 February - 17 December 2027
Tenure:	0.8 FTE - 0.1 FTE, limited tenure, term time only Multiple positions available 6 month probation period
Hours of Work:	As per timetable (term time only)
Location:	Mount Carmel College 361 Sandy Bay Road SANDY BAY TAS 7005
Employment Conditions:	As per the Tasmanian Catholic Education Single Enterprise Agreement 2024
Remuneration:	Teacher Assistant Level 2

Final Checklist for Applications

Before sending in your application, use this checklist to make sure you have not missed out any important details. Please ensure that you submit:

- Fully completed, signed and dated your Application for Employment form
- Fully completed, signed and dated the Pre-Employment Check form
- Included a brief letter of introduction stating the reasons why you are seeking a position within Catholic Education in Tasmania
- Included a current Resume, which should include a brief employment history stating where you have worked, the length of service and brief description of the position(s) held and duties undertaken. (Additional information, i.e. transcripts, certificates etc. may be required by the selection panel if called to interview)

Applications are to be addressed to Megan Richardson, Principal, Mount Carmel College and forwarded electronically by **9.00am on Monday 23 November 2026** to principal@mountcarmel.tas.edu.au

If you have any further queries regarding your application, please do not hesitate to contact the Principal's Office on 6216 7900 or principal@mountcarmel.tas.edu.au