



ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

SUNRISE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ELC WHYALLA

Permanent Full-time or Part-time Position (0.8-1.0 FTE)

The opportunity

Join our Whyalla ELC as Assistant Director from 21 July 2025 in a permanent part-time or full-time role (4 or 5 days—your choice!). You'll work closely with our Director and Educational Leader to shape meaningful learning experiences, support a small, passionate team, and build strong, positive relationships with children and families. If you know your way around the NQF and EYLF and love seeing little minds thrive—we'd love to hear from you!

What we offer:

- Competitive above award salary plus superannuation
- Relocation Allowance
- Discount on school fees
- Employee Assistance Program for all staff
- Training and PD opportunities
- Internal Mentoring Program
- Supportive Team environment
- Flexible work arrangements
- A vibrant workplace with regular social and community engagement opportunities
- Work with supportive and inclusive managers

Relocation Assistance

To help make your move to Whyalla smooth and stress-free, we offer an attractive Relocation Assistance Package. This includes financial support with relocation expenses, a relocation allowance paid during your first year, and providing access to a fully furnished local home at the start of your contract—giving you time to settle in and find your own place. Package details will be discussed with the successful applicant.

About you

You are warm, proactive and thrive in a leadership support role. You're passionate about early childhood education and creating a safe, nurturing space where children and educators can thrive. You bring strong organisational and interpersonal skills, enjoy mentoring others, and are confident in supporting the Director with daily operations, compliance, and team coordination. You're ready to make a positive impact on the lives of children, families, and staff in a close-knit and values-led community.

We are looking for someone who:

- Possesses a Diploma in Early Childhood Education or ACECQA approved qualification.
- Is a committed Christian who is active in church fellowship to join our vibrant Christian community.
- Has an outstanding attention to detail.
- Has the ability to demonstrate excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Has a current Working With Children Check, have completed Responding to Risk of Harm, Abuse & Neglect in Education & Care (RRHAN-EC) training, and Protective Practices training or be willing to complete these upon commencement.

About Sunrise Christian School ELC & Whyalla

Located on the stunning Eyre Peninsula, in the heart of Whyalla Sunrise Christian School is an ELC–Year 10, coeducational school and early learning centre in a vibrant regional hub known for its cuttlefish, dolphins, and natural beauty. With nearby beaches, 4WD tracks, museums and more, Whyalla offers a unique lifestyle full of adventure.

[Click here to learn more about Whyalla](#)

Considering a sea change? Join our welcoming community where you'll quickly feel part of a supportive school and thriving faith environment that genuinely believes in people.

Our ELC offers a warm, supportive environment grounded in Christian values and a strong sense of partnership with families. Our play-based program follows the Kathy Walker Learning and Play Approach, supporting children aged 2–5 years across three vibrant and well-resourced learning rooms. We are deeply committed to building respectful relationships with children and families, fostering a sense of belonging and wellbeing for all.

At Sunrise ELC, we value professional growth and offer above-award wages alongside ongoing professional development opportunities and Mentoring. Join our passionate team and be part of a nurturing community making a meaningful impact in children's early years.

Further information

Please contact our HR Team at careers@sunrise.sa.edu.au or by phone on 8465 6042.

Apply

Please submit your complete application by **Sunday 13 July 2025** via the <https://sunrise.sa.edu.au/careers/elc> webpage, including submission of a cover letter and resume. Applications will be assessed as they are received.

New beginnings at Sunrise

ADVERTORIAL

SUNRISE Christian School's Early Learning Centre in Whyalla is expanding, beginning an exciting new chapter for early childhood education in the community.

Sunrise is thrilled to announce a brand-new extension to its Early Learning Centre (ELC), created to offer even more families a nurturing, high-quality start to their child's educational journey. The state-of-the-art expansion addresses growing demand and reflects Sunrise's commitment to nurturing curiosity, creativity, and care in a safe environment.

The \$1 million (approximate) upgrade to the ELC facilities has enabled Sunrise to welcome more young learners into dedicated areas and rooms thoughtfully designed to support children's intellectual, social, emotional, and spiritual development.

As part of this project, Sunrise has made more purposeful investments in programs to support the developmental stages of two-year-olds through children aged five.

All young families are welcome to enjoy the ELC facilities and learning programs at regular playgroups, held on Fridays at 9 a.m. during school terms.

Families with children aged five and under are welcome to participate in nature and literacy-based activities for a gold coin donation.

As an added bonus, parents and caregivers can enjoy a complimentary barista coffee made by Sunrise middle school students.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT SUNRISE WHYALLA ELC

With the expansion of facilities comes a unique opportunity for passionate educators and support staff to join the Sunrise Whyalla ELC Team.

New leadership at the school and ELC has ushered in a fresh season of energy and growth.



Two experienced Sunrise staff stepped into leadership roles at the school and ELC Principal Cindy Millwood brings a wealth of experience and a dedication to values-based education.

After beginning her teaching career in South Africa, Cindy joined the Sunrise family over a decade ago.

ELC Director Esther Usumaki has nine years of experience at Sunrise ELC, serving as an Educator, Team Leader, and Assistant Director.

While the school proudly upholds Christian

values and ethos, Sunrise operates within a diverse and welcoming community.

Sunrise Whyalla ELC seeks applicants who are not only qualified and experienced in early childhood education but also share a commitment to building strong, values-based foundations in the lives of young children.

WHY WORK AT SUNRISE WHYALLA?

Working at Sunrise offers numerous benefits, including:

- Being part of a supportive and vibrant Christian community

- Accessing professional development, mentoring and career growth pathways
- Making a meaningful impact on the next generation
- Working in brand-new, purpose-built facilities designed for excellence in early learning

This is more than a job — it's an opportunity to serve purposefully, helping shape hearts and minds in a setting that honours faith, family and future potential.

To learn about the open career opportunities, visit sunrise.sa.edu.au/careers/elc



SUNRISE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL, WHYALLA ELC IS GROWING!

Now Enrolling Ages 2–5

We're excited to welcome new families with children aged 2 to 5 into our growing early learning environments.

Our play-based curriculum nurtures each child's individual needs, with a strong focus on early literacy and numeracy. Located on the school grounds, ELC children build confidence by engaging in school-wide events, visiting the Kitchen Garden daily, and getting to know the Reception teacher through our Transition to School Program.

To learn more visit sunrise.sa.edu.au/whyalla/elc-and-playgroup

Join our Team!

We're also seeking passionate Early Childhood Educators to join our growing team. To learn more, or to apply please visit sunrise.sa.edu.au/careers/elc



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