



## Factsheet CAT03 Categories of child-related work 3: an educational institution for children



An educational institution for children includes a school as defined in the *School Education Act 1999* but does not include universities recognised or established under a written law or educational institutions prescribed by the Working with Children regulations.

Please note, some people working at universities may be doing work that may come under other categories of <u>child-related work</u>.

## Roles considered to be in child-related work

Some examples of roles considered to be in child-related work are listed below. Please note that in all cases, for a role to be considered to be in child-related work, the **usual duties** of that role must involve, or be likely to involve, **contact** with a **child**. Roles include:

- teachers
- non-teaching staff including school registrars, gardeners, cleaners and maintenance people whose employment is during school hours and whose usual duties involve contact with children
- people providing health services to school children at the school
- instructors or leaders of after school activity programs taking place at the school
- entertainers and school photographers who have contact with children on the school site
- speakers and other educators who visit schools to give talks to the students as part of their usual duties of work
- canteen or tuckshop staff who have contact with children
- TAFE College lecturers and other TAFE staff whose usual duties involve contact with a child.

Please note, an external contractor who attends the school on an ad-hoc basis and has only **incidental** contact with the children, is not considered to be in child-related work.

## **Exemptions**

The following <u>exemptions</u> apply to this category:

- child volunteers under 18 years of age
- unpaid students on placement under 18 years of age
- short-term visitors to WA
- a parent volunteering at the educational institution at which the child is enrolled, refer to
   <u>Factsheet CRW03 Exemptions, the parent volunteer exemption</u>. Please note, there is no
   parent volunteer exemption for an overnight school camp, refer to category 15
- police officers performing functions as a member of the WA Police
- one-off national events or national tours, refer to <u>Factsheet CRW02 Exemptions</u>, <u>one-off</u>
   national events and national tours.

For frequently asked questions relating to this category, including information about external contractors, please refer to <u>Factsheet ORG05 – Working with Children Checks</u>, <u>education</u> sector.

Definitions of **bold** terms can be found in the Working with Children Check glossary at <a href="https://www.workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au">www.workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au</a>