

# Pre-service teacher registration for placements

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The Pre-service Teacher Registration online form must be completed prior to undertaking a professional experience placement in a NSW public school. This step-by-step guide explains the process to complete this form. This guide is relevant to pre-service teachers (PST), Initial Teacher Education Providers (ITEP) and Schools.

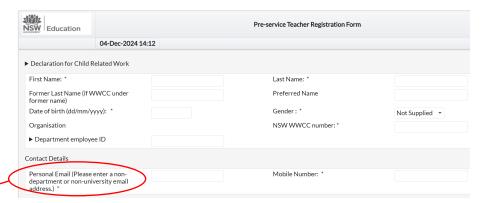
Frequently Asked Questions with answers are available at the end of this guide.

## Step 1 - PST accesses the new Pre-service Teacher Registration online form

- a) Go to the Pre-Service Teacher Induction webpage of the NSW Department of Education website.
- b) Click on Mandatory pre-requisites for pre-service teachers.
- c) Select 'Pre-service Teacher Registration Form'

#### Step 2 - PST completes the registration form

d) Enter the details requested. Details entered under 'Declaration for Child Related Work' must match those used on your Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance.



Please use a personal email address and **not** an @det.nsw.edu.au or university email address as your contact email address. Please also avoid using country specific emails such as qq.com and 163.com.

#### e) Read privacy statement

#### ▼ Privacy Statement

All public schools and personnel of the Department of Education must abide by the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW). The information you provide will be used to verify your Working with Children Check (WWCC) clearance and for associated purposes such as:

- · managing risk associated with the department's legal obligation to ensure the protection of children and young persons in its care;
- creating your department identity and email address used for the purposes related to your professional experience placements with the department;
- using your contact details to communicate with you to provide information about department scholarships, funded study and employment
  opportunities:
- to ensure the health and safety of students, staff and visitors to the school;
- state and federal reporting purposes;
- for any other purpose required by law.
- f) Read three points and select relevant declaration.

•	Ideclare
	1. I have (or would be able to apply and receive) a WWCC: I am not disqualified from obtaining a WWCC through being convicted or having a finding of guilt for a <u>disqualifying offence</u> , or had a WWCC cancelled, refused or been the subject of an interim bar (except where a WWCC has been later granted). 2. I have no pending criminal charges, court proceedings or allegations that would (if a conviction was upheld) be a <u>disqualifying offence</u> preventing a WWCC being issued. I am not subject to any pending court proceedings or the subject of allegations or charges
	relating to a criminal matter in Australia or overseas.  3. I have not supplied any false or misleading in formation in this form may lead to the department withdrawing any offer of engagement or contracting services and consider this for any future applications from mysel for my organisation for employment or engagement.
	I am able to make this declaration and agree to the department's privacy statement
	I am unable to make this the declaration

If unable to select the first option in the declaration, please email <a href="mailto:PST.registration@det.nsw.edu.au">PST.registration@det.nsw.edu.au</a> for instructions on how to proceed. Thank you.

g) Register the details of initial teacher education degree.

**Note:** Degree start date should be entered as mm/yyyy (e.g. 02/2024 for February 2024) Estimated completion year for your degree should be entered as YYYY (e.g. 2027)

#### Please tell us about your teaching degree

Institution *	Select ▼
Other Institution	
Degree *	
Level *	Undergraduate Postgraduate
Mode of study *	Full time Part time
Location *	On Campus Remote Hybrid
Start Date (mm/yyyy) *	
Estimated Completion Year *	0
Setting: *	Early Childhood Primary Secondary
Specialisation(s) / Key Learning Area(s) *	•

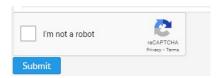
h) Answer these final two questions by responding:

•	Yes = or No =	
	The department offers a range of opp	portunities including:
	<ul> <li>scholarships and funded study</li> <li>professional learning resources</li> <li>employment opportunities duri</li> </ul>	s and events
	Do you currently hold a scholarship v	vith the department?
	Would you like to be kept informed a	bout opportunities in the



department?

Select 'I'm not a robot' then click 'submit'.



i) Have you entered your details correctly? Specifically, have you typed your email address correctly? Once your form is submitted, you will not be able to return to change any information (e.g. email address, university, course name, etc.). If unsure, please choose 'no' below and check your data entry. Then choose 'submit' again. Please remember not to use yy.com or 163.com email addresses. They are not compatible with the form.



j) Registration saved.

Successful submission of the PST registration form will return a green banner (below). Please progress to **Step 3** to finalise registration.

Registration form saved. Please finalise your registration by clicking on the link in the email sent to you from wwcc@det.nsw.edu.au within 2 hours. The email may be in your junk inbox. If you do not finalise your registration within 2 hours, you will be required to complete and submit a new registration form.

Unsuccessful submission will return a red banner. Please follow on-screen instructions (example below) to address any issues. Please also ensure all mandatory fields have been completed accurately.

🗵 We could not find a Working with Children Check Clearance using your provided details. Please check that the surname, date of birth and WWCC number entered match your clearance email and try again. Error Ref 005.

Alternatively, please view the FAQs at the end of this document.

#### Step 3 - Verify email account

**Within 2 hours** of completing the online PST Registration Form, check for the email with the subject below in your email inbox (or junk mail inbox).

**Email subject:** 

Finalise your NSW Department of Education Pre-service Teacher Registration Form

I) Click on link in email to confirm your WWCC submission.

#### Example email:

Dear Pre-service Teacher,

Please finalise your pre-service teacher registration by clicking here

Kind regards,



Troubleshooting Tip: If the word 'here' in the email does not include a link, please try and access it from

another device.

Please note: The link may not appear if you have used a qq.com or 163.com email address. If this

is the case, you will need to complete the form again using a different email address. Please email <a href="mailto:PST.Registration@det.nsw.edu.au">PST.Registration@det.nsw.edu.au</a> and ask for your details to be cleared

so that you can re-submit your form.

You should then see the message below.

The digital component of the verification of your WWCC clearance is now complete. Full verification is complete when your photo ID is sighted by your professional experience placement school prior to or on the first day of your placement. In the meantime please begin preparing for your placement.

m) Check email account for email with the subject line below. Read email and take note of important information.

Example email subject and header:

Subject:

WWCC verification completed for Sample PST W000000XXX



Dear Sample,

Congratulations! Your Working with Children Check with expiry date of XX-XXX-202X has been verified. We look forward to welcoming you at one of our 2,200 public schools.

Below you will find guidance and resources to help you prepare for your professional experience placements.

# Step 4 – Activate department IT account

n) Check email account within 24 hours for email with the subject line:

Example email subject and header:

#### **Department of Education Account Information**

o) Click on link and create password for your NSW Department of Education system account.

Note: Link to create password is only available for 24 hours.

Example email:

# **Account activation required**

Dear Sample,

Welcome to the Department of Education (DoE).

Your account has now been registered and your User ID is Sample.PST

You are now required to activate your account, establish your security



Registration to undertake a placement in a NSW Public School is now complete. Before commencing a placement, the following steps are also required to be completed.

#### Step 5 - Complete mandatory training

p) Log into the <u>Department's website</u>, select the MyPL link from the right hand side menu. Select "Browse Learning" and search for Child Protection Awareness Training (CPAT) or other training titles (see below). There are four MyPL training modules that you must complete as of 31 January 2025. Refer to our <u>website</u> for further details.



- q) Complete the ASCIA anaphylaxis training (refer to website for details).
- r) Save and print certificates of the five training modules in steps 5q) and 5r) as proof of completion of mandatory training.

# Step 6 - On (or just prior to) first day of placement

- s) On (or just prior to) the first day of placement you are required to:
  - i) Read and sign the PST Acknowledgement Form and submit to your placement school,
  - ii) Present photo ID,
  - iii) Show proof of completion of mandatory training (see step 5 above) at your placement school.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** A pre-service teacher (PST) is only required to complete the PST Registration form **once** i.e. <u>not</u> for each placement in a public school.

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

Q: Do I need to complete the online PST Registration form before every placement in a public school?

A: No, a pre-service teacher is only required to complete the PST Registration form once.

Q: If my WWCC expires, do I need to complete the PST Registration form again once my WWCC has been renewed?

**A:** No, there is no need to complete the PST Registration Form again.

Q: If my WWCC expires before I renew it, do I need to complete the form again once my WWCC has been renewed?

**A:** No, there is no need to complete the PST Registration Form again. Your WWCC record will be updated with the department automatically from Office of the Children's Guardian records.



Q: Do I need a paid WWCC?

**A:** Only PSTs who undertake a paid internship, or who receive any form of payment from the department, must hold a Working with Children Check (WWCC) clearance for paid employment, e.g. salary, grant, allowance, or scholarship, including cadets and paid interns. Please view the WWCC Factsheet from the <u>Mandatory requirements for pre-service teachers</u> webpage for more information.

Q: My name has changed since I completed the PST Registration form. What do I do?

A: Contact the department's Probity Unit on 02 7814 3825 or email wwcc@det.nsw.edu.au

**Q**: If I am employed by the department and/or hold a scholarship, and have already had my WWCC verified by the Probity Unit as an employee, do I need to complete the PST Registration Form?

A: Yes, you are required to complete the PST Registration Form. All PSTs must complete this form once.

Q: If I am doing my placement at the school where I am employed, do I need to complete the PST Registration Form?

A: Yes, you are required to complete the PST Registration Form. All PSTs must complete this form once.

**Q:** If I am working for the department, do I need to use my PST account when on placement or can I use my employee account?

**A:** Unless your placement is in the school where you are currently working, you must use your PST account when on placement. It is important that your employee and PST accounts remain separate.

**Q:** If I am a current or past employee of the department and have completed the prior Tertiary Practicum Student Application Form, do I need to complete the new PST Registration Form?

**A:** Yes, it is important that, if you are an employee, you complete the PST registration form so that your employee records and PST records can remain separate. If you have any questions about this, please email <a href="mailto:PST.Registration@det.nsw.edu.au">PST.Registration@det.nsw.edu.au</a>.

**Q**: I completed the prior Tertiary Practicum Student Application Form (now called the Tertiary Practicum Student Application form for non-teaching placements only). What do I have to complete the new Pre-service Teacher Application Form before my placement/s in 2025?

**A:** Yes, from 2025, all pre-service teachers must have completed the pre-service teacher registration form, which was launched in June 2024.

Q: How do I know if I have already completed the pre-service teacher (PST) registration form?

**A:** Feel free to attempt this form, available from the <u>Mandatory Pre-requisites for Pre-service Teachers</u> webpage. You can only complete the form once per WWCC. If you have already completed the PST registration form, you will receive an error message. If this occurs, please search for an email in your inbox that looks like the one in **step: 4p)** above. If you do not know your username, please contact EDConnect on 1300 323232 (option 5) who will identify you and then assist you with locating your username and setting up or re-setting your password.

#### **Further support**

For any questions relating to your WWCC, please contact the <u>Probity Unit</u>. For any other questions about this form, please email <u>PST.Registration@det.nsw.edu.au</u>. For IT related questions, including what to do if you have multiple department accounts or cannot remember your department username or password, please contact EDConnect on 1300 32 32 32 and select option 5.

