



## **Teaching Overseas in the Post-Pandemic Era**

During 2020 and 2021 huge numbers of South African teachers who had been working outside Africa had to return home. Some because their schools closed, some because

their South African family became ill, some because they were honestly so confused by what was going on they felt only the familiar feel of home would calm them. It was not a nice time to be away from family and friends and work in a strange country.

In 2022 the signs are that things are calming down, and that it will be possible to apply for teaching jobs outside South Africa again. But before you even consider applying, talk through with your family how they feel about you going, and encourage them to consider what it would mean if you could not come home. Or if you lost your job and had to come home. It may not be as easy as it once was to fly home if something should go wrong.

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