



# National Professional Qualification for **Leading Teaching**

**Become a lead teacher with specialist knowledge  
in teaching, curriculum and assessment**

- > A 12-month specialist qualification
- > Excel as a leader of teaching.
- > Flexible learning to suit your timetable
- > Fully funded for disadvantaged schools

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# Be the best teacher you can be

**Do you want to develop your teaching and leadership skills to improve the outcomes of pupils in your school?** This programme explores the fundamentals of good teaching practice and how they can be applied across a range of subjects.

## Benefits for teachers

- > **Become an excellent teacher**  
Delve into the nuts and bolts of what makes an effective teacher, what good teaching looks like and how you can lead others.
- > **Build on existing experience**  
Unpack and apply learning in teaching, curriculum and assessment whether you are a classroom teacher, keen to develop your knowledge, or a head of department wanting to maximise your impact.
- > **Invest in your future**  
Ongoing professional development helps you to grow and thrive as a teacher. You will follow an evidence-based framework and gain a professional accreditation at the end of the programme.
- > **Train to your timetable**  
This programme is designed to fit around your existing teaching role and much of the work can be completed in bite-size chunks around your existing work timetable.
- > **Connect with your peers**  
You will train alongside other teachers from similar school contexts. You can share your experiences and build a strong support network.

## Benefits for schools

- > **Create a 'golden thread'**  
The new National Professional Qualifications (NPQs) are all aligned. So, no matter what career stage your teachers are at, by joining this programme, they will benefit from an evidence-based framework. They will also share a common language with other NPQ participants that they can pass on to colleagues.
- > **Access the latest learning**  
Teachers will bring evidence-based learning into the classrooms, meaning high quality teaching and improved pupil outcomes.
- > **Retain your teaching talent**  
By allowing teachers to develop in specialist areas, you are investing in their future. This will help them feel supported and, therefore, less likely to apply for jobs elsewhere.
- > **Identify future leaders**  
Competent and confident teachers who excel in their roles will be more likely to apply for middle or senior positions when they arise.
- > **Tap into a network**  
Your teachers will train alongside peers from other schools with similar contexts, supported by experienced facilitators that fully understands your needs.

## About Exceed Teaching School Hub

Exceed Teaching School Hub's vision recognises that teacher and leader development are two of the most important forms of school improvement. Our partnership with Ambition Institute helps us deliver coherent, high-quality professional development from early career to executive leadership.

## What does the training include?

This programme follows the Department for Education's new [NPQ for Leading Teaching framework](#).

## You will learn how to

- > Explain important ideas about the science of learning.
- > Understand what good teaching practice is and how to implement it.
- > Support colleagues to design a broad and coherent curriculum.
- > Plan effective lessons and stimulate your pupils' thinking.
- > Help colleagues adapt their teaching to different needs.
- > Contribute to the design of school assessment systems.
- > Align your professional development with wider school improvement priorities.

## How is the training delivered?

The content is delivered through blended learning. This includes a mix of real-time interactive sessions, face-to-face training, peer-led sessions and self-guided modules you complete at times that fit around your existing work schedule.

## How much does the training cost?

Department for Education-funded scholarships are available for those 50% of schools with the highest proportion of students who attract pupil premium funding in England.

Funding is also available for 16 to 19 educational settings identified as having high disadvantage. Contact us to find out if you're eligible.

If your setting isn't eligible, the NPQ for Leading Teaching costs £899 plus VAT.

You can find your local delivery partner and their contact details on this [map](#).

**"The training has exceeded my expectations. I am so glad I am part of the programme and wish that I had started sooner."**

**Ambition NPQ participant**



91% of teachers and school leaders would recommend their Ambition NPQ to a colleague  
(Ambition Institute participant survey, April 2024, 3,345 respondents)

Note: programme content is subject to change.

## About Exceed Teaching School Hub

Exceed Teaching School Hub's core functions are to support schools and trusts to invest in their workforce to grow, recruit, develop and retain the very best teachers, support staff and leaders.

## About Ambition Institute

A great teacher changes the future every day. They can be the critical factor in a child's success, especially for those who have had a tough start in life. At Ambition Institute, we support teachers and school leaders at every stage of their careers, helping them to keep getting better.

We are a charity providing training and professional development based on the most rigorous research and evidence about what really works. Together, we're shaping the future of education to give every child the best start in life.

"The training has far surpassed my expectations. I regularly reflect on content and share with colleagues. I am also more confident in finding the answers myself as a result of attending this course."

Ambition NPQ participant

## Learn more

Get in touch today to find out how to apply for our NPQ for Leading Teaching programme.



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