

May 2021

Invitation to LSSW/ OneCornwall/ SWIFT New NPQ Information Events

Reformed NPQs live from September 2021

We are delighted to inform you that the Teaching School Hubs in Cornwall, Devon, Plymouth and Torbay are working in partnership with Leading Schools South West (LSSW) and Teach First to make available to your school the full suite of reformed NPQs from September 2021.

The Partnership

The partnership has been formed in order to support schools in developing world-class leaders, bringing together the best local knowledge and context with the national experience and programmes of Teach First.

Four Teaching School Hubs have the responsibility to support the professional development needs of schools, including the provision of ECF and NPQ, across the area:

Colyton and Kingsbridge Hubs | operating together as SWIFT (South West Institute for Teaching), cover all schools in Devon, Plymouth and Torbay.

Trenance and Roseland Hubs | operating together as OneCornwall cover all schools in Cornwall.

Leading Schools South West (LSSW) is a registered Charity that since 2012 has seen over 3,000 leaders graduate on its NPQ courses. It has one of the highest ratings from the DfE QA process of all national providers to date. It pioneered NPQs through an Apprenticeship route, with over 180 leaders taking advantage, all successfully and over 70% with Apprenticeship distinctions. Over 150 leaders have already registered for courses from September.

Teach First is a national charity offering innovative ITT courses, NPQ and other school improvement courses. Teach First has 18 years' experience designing and delivering high-quality training to schools that need it most. Teach First have reached >19,000 Teachers across its programmes, including ITT (rated Outstanding by Ofsted in 41/48 areas) and the current NPQ suite. 90% of NPQ alumni report they can now implement improvements to their school, and 100% of Headteachers were satisfied with Teach First's Leading Together programme and Headship First pilot (which supports those new to Headship).

The Courses

All NPQs are taught through a blended balance of online individual learning, online seminars and face-to-face meetings. They are designed in recognition that leaders are already busy people, with a simplified end-of-course assessment. There are two cohorts annually, starting in Autumn and Spring.

Three new specialist NPQs will replace the current NPQML, 12-month programmes:

NPQLBC: Leading Behaviour and Culture

NPQLT: Leading Teaching

NPQLTD: Leading Teacher Development

Three revised NPQs will run as 18-month programmes:

NPQSL: Senior Leaders

NPQH: Headship (including a new programme of support for newly appointed Headteachers)

NPQEL: Executive Leadership

Costs

All schools with more than 30% FSM are eligible for full scholarships for all courses. All schools can access scholarships for NPQH and LSSW will support schools in need with scholarships of our own.

If you combine the course with an Apprenticeship, the course can be funded from your Apprenticeship Levy. (Local Authority schools can access their LA levy pot, MATs have their own).

More information

Visit the LSSW website [here](#)

We are hosting new NPQ information webinars on the following dates:

- **Monday 24 May 2021 | 1530 - 1615 (Cornwall)**
- **Wednesday 26 May 2021 | 1600 - 1645 (Cornwall)**
- **Tuesday 8 June 2021 | 1545 - 1630 (Devon, Plymouth, Torbay)**
- **Wednesday 9 June 2021 | 1030 - 1115 (Devon, Plymouth, Torbay)**

You can book your place at one of these information webinars [here](#)

Colleagues from outside these areas are, of course, welcome to attend any event.

Or you can email ally.williams@leadingschoolssouthwest.org.uk; hello@onecornwall.co.uk; or JOwens@teachingschools-sw.org.uk to arrange an individual conversation about the needs of your school or Trust; for example, to organise a MAT-specific cohort.

In Summary

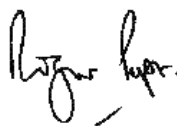
- LSSW is a known and trusted provider in the South West since 2012.
- Teach First bring national reach, knowledge and reputation.
- The Teaching School Hubs know your school.
- The Hubs have chosen Teach First as their national provider for the Early Career Framework, so there will be synergy and coherence across your school's professional pathways.
- LSSW's Board comprises SW school and MAT leaders: it is your organisation to meet your needs.
- By graduating through LSSW, you will gain ongoing professional growth through a regional network.

We look forward to hearing from you and working with you and to seeing you at one of our forthcoming information webinars.


Best wishes,



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