

NPETCS – the Norfolk Teaching Competence Standards Programme has gone from strength to strength over the past 5 years. Norfolk was the pioneer of this programme, which has now been widely reproduced across the country. We are set to once again lead the country with our unique and innovative new programmes, which offer the same robust training but to a wider audience. We are working with a key stakeholder to get accreditation for all our programmes and expand and enhance our existing offer to staff in Norfolk schools. The 2010-2011 academic year has seen the start of a new version of the NPETCS programme; NPETCS SECONDARY – Cover supervisors

This course has been designed for Cover Supervisors to be trained to deliver high quality PE in high schools during periods of absence from PE staff. This course is the first of its kind and already has aroused much interest from Heads of PE and Head Teachers. We currently have 15 colleagues from high schools around Norfolk who are half way through the taught aspect of the course and are busy working with their PE department's team teaching and leading in lessons to achieve their standards.

"The Norfolk PE Competence Standards certificate is an asset for any secondary school staff who will be in a position to support their PE team in the future. The course is delivered by experienced tutors and covers a wide range of essential transferable skills and knowledge which will develop your learning and understanding to deliver PE back at your school. My headteacher and mentor have been very supportive whilst attending this course and see this course as a benefit for our young people"
(Asa Saunders PDM, Alderman Peel High School)

The programme is based around a series of competencies, which form the Norfolk PE Teaching Competence Standard (Secondary). Delegates will work with their school based mentor, attending training with Norfolk Children's Services and work towards achieving these standards over an appropriate time scale for them. Upon satisfactory completion, Head teachers' will be able to deploy colleagues in full confidence that they are complying with all appropriate legislation including health and safety and 'specified work' regulations (S12003/1663) as well as ensuring a high quality experience and entitlement for their young people. The course consists of a series of essential core modules required by all as well as activity specific courses such as Athletics, Dance, Invasion Games, Net/Wall Games, Field/ Strike Games and Swimming (option).

"The course has enabled me to take some ideas back to school to make sessions more challenging and enjoyable for pupils of all ages"

(Tony Collins – Cover Supervisor, Diss High School)

External verification from the course tutor team is also required and in this way you can see that it mirrors initial teacher training and TDA guidelines. The course is rigorous and robust. No written assignments are required but delegates will be expected to provide a detailed portfolio of progress.

NPETCS SECONDARY – Cover Supervisor 2011

Course Code: ECS G9

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| • Mentor briefing | Monday 9 May @ 13.30-16.00 | Norwich PDC |
| • Day 1 | Thursday 19 May @ 9.30 -15.30 | Norwich PDC |

Cost: £1,000

(Split into an initial fee of £500 per delegate and £500 for 2 required assessment visits which must be past)

The programme has been deliberately designed to be spread over two financial years to ease the potential budget impact for school. However it must be stressed that to bring in outside agencies to deliver cover through PE can cost schools far in excess of the programme costs. As most visits start happening later in the year long programme, these visit costs can be planned into the following financial year helping to split the costs. Where school wish more than one delegate to be registered we are able to offer a reduction in the assessment visit costs so please contact us to discuss this. High quality PE and Sport is our mutual aim and we are delighted that so many schools are showing interest in engaging so positively with this new programme.