

Certification of PSHE Teachers

We are now looking to recruit teachers throughout Norfolk to participate in the 2nd phase of the Norfolk PSHE Certification programme.

What is it?

The twelve-month PSHE Certification programme of continuing professional development (CPD) has been developed nationally to enable teachers to gain recognition of their experience in teaching personal, social and health education (PSHE).

This is a national programme developed to improve the effectiveness and raise the profile of PSHE, including sex and relationship education (SRE) and drug education.

It is not a training programme as such, although additional training needs will be identified as part of the process and we will make every effort to address these needs.

What will this involve?

Teachers will need to produce a portfolio by gathering evidence against given standards for two dimensions:

1. The context and the core skills: teaching and managing pupil learning in PSHE.
2. Knowledge and understanding and its application in the teaching of SRE or Drug Education.

How much time is needed?

Teachers will be required to attend 3 core development days (at Barnham Broom Country Club) and 3 twilight network sessions (at Norwich PDC or King's Lynn PDC).

The organisation and collation of the portfolio will require additional time.

An extra non-compulsory day is available during March to assist with the completion of portfolios.

Will there be a cost?

National funding has been secured to support participating teachers and includes the cost of supply cover for the three core development days.

Schools will, however, be charged £750 for any teacher who does not complete the programme as our funding is dependant on the number of portfolios submitted.

Who should apply?

Teachers who have at least 3 years teaching experience and a significant amount of PSHE on their timetable. Places will be limited to one per school per year (to maximise use of resources).

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If your school has a teacher who participated in the programme last year, a different teacher is welcome to apply this year.

Following the evaluation of last year's programme, amendments have been made to the programme this year.

What are the benefits?

Schools will benefit by gaining national recognition of the skills of their PSHE teachers.

Support and additional identified training will be offered to enhance teachers' skills and increase confidence in delivering this highly important curriculum area.

Participating teachers will enjoy the opportunity to share good practice across the county. This national certification will enhance individual career development.

How can I find out more?

Email: christine.woods@norfolk.gov.uk

Phone: 01603 433276

How do I apply?

Complete the attached application form and return to:

Cindy Burton
Children's Services
Norfolk Education Advisory Services
Professional Development Centre
Woodside Road
Norwich, NR7 9QL

Closing date 31st May 2005.

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Application Form

Name: _____

School: _____

Responsibilities in School: _____

Number of years teaching experience:

Number of years PSHE teaching experience:

Extension Module you wish to follow
(please tick one only):

Sex & Relationship Education

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Drugs Education

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Signed: _____

Date: _____

For the attention of the Headteacher:

I confirm that I support the above application, including the release of the staff member for the three compulsory training days, where supply cover will be funded:

I am aware that the school will be charged £750 for any teacher who is unable to complete the programme:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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