



TEACHING ASSISTANTS NVQ LEVEL 3 – 2006/7

The Advisory Services are pleased to be working with NCC CTD to provide opportunities for experienced school teaching assistants to achieve this qualification.

The NVQ is mapped against the National Occupational Standards for Teaching Assistants working with children and young people at Foundation to Key Stage 4.

The cost of the training and assessment will be met by the LA but schools will need to fund any supply cover needed. This year we expect to offer approximately 80 places. Our aim is to allocate places equitably to teaching assistants working in all key stages and in all types of schools throughout the county. The Advisory Services will run eight workshops and two full day sessions over the autumn, spring and summer terms to support candidates. A CTD Assessor will visit each candidate about once a month to observe practice and assess portfolio work. We expect candidates to complete the qualification within the school year. Please note that candidates will be required to have the support of a mentor in their school; this could be a member of the teaching staff or a senior teaching assistant.

An information sheet is attached which outlines the Units included in this NVQ. An application form is also attached. The completed application form and mentor agreement must be returned by Friday 28th April 2006 to:- Carol Burgess, Children's Services, Professional Development Centre, Woodside Road, Norwich, NR7 9QL.

Successful applicants will be notified of the outcome by 26th May 2006.





Guidance on Responsibilities of all Partners

NVQ Teaching Assistants - Level 3

Children's Services

- Provide funding for Training and Assessment
- Provision of training programme
- Ensure quality
- Provide Course Tutors
- Presentation to successful TAs

CTD Assessors

- Plan assessment visits
- Give feedback to TA after each assessment visit
- 3 monthly review with mentor or line manager
- Internal verification
- Certification

Teaching Assistant (TA)

- Attend and engage in all training sessions
- Fulfil all assessment requirements
- Complete portfolio evidence
- Prepare for assessor visits
- Liaise with Mentor
- Be prepared to learn from and with tutors, assessors, mentors, line manager and other colleagues

Mentor/Line Manager

- Ensure appropriate opportunities for assessment, feedback and reviews
- Assist the learner to be honest in evaluating their role and tasks
- Help the learner to find sources for research tasks
- Encourage the learner to meet targets
- Consult the assessor about problems if necessary

School

- To release TA to attend all workshops
- To provide appropriate opportunities to assessment feedback and reviews
- To provide a mentor with appropriate experience and expertise

All Parties

Maintain confidentiality
Improve the ability of TAs to support the learning of children and young people





Please return completed application form to:-Carol Burgess Children's Services Norfolk County Council Professional Development Centre Woodside Road Norwich NR7 9QL

by close Friday 28th April 2006

Tel: (01603) 433276 ext. 135

My Assessor will be:

Teaching Assistant NVQ Level 3 Application Form

(to be completed	l by CTD)					
Family Name				Previous Family Name		
Forename/s				-		
Date of Birth		Age	Male	e/Female		
School/Dept Address			Hom	ne Address		
Post Code			Post	Code		
Tel No			Tel f	No		
E-Mail			E-Ma	ail		
Previous Award	ling Body F	Registra	ition No. (if known/ap	pplicable)		

We need to measure our performance in offering equal access and opportunities, therefore please tick the following that apply									
My Ethnic Origin is Arab Bangladeshi Black Black									
						African		Caribbean	
Chinese		Indian		Irish		Pakistani		White EC	
Black Other *		White Other *		Other *		Prefer not to	say		
* Please									
Specify									

My Learner Difficulty Disab Status is	Visual Impairment	Hearing Impairment	Disability affecting mobility	Epilepsy
Asthma	Diabetes	Dyslexia	Dyscalculia	Moderate Learning Difficulty
Severe Learning Difficulty	No disability	Other Disability *	Other Learning Difficulty *	Prefer not to say
* Please Specify				

My Work Pattern is:- (contracted hours of work per week)											
My Work Status is:-											
Length of experience in this NVQ area of work is:- (please tick option below)											
None		Less than 1 year		1–2 Years		3-5 Years		6-10 Years		Over 10 Years	

All information will be used to establish suitability for the programme you are applying for. Please complete these sections fully.

Examinations, Qualifications* and other relevant training attended, eg. 4 day TA Induction					
Date	Where / Training Provider	Qualification/Title of course			
(Month & Year)					

From - To	ment/Experience* Where	Job Title & Responsibilities
(Month & Year)		·

^{*}Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

Detailed description of your current job and all responsibilities:*
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Employment and Career Progression Objectives:
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To be completed by Headteacher:

Please add any further relevant	information.	
I support this application:	Yes	No 🗆
The school agrees to meet the reguldance.	elevant responsibilitie	s set out in the attached
Signed:		
Headteacher:		
Date:		

Applicant:

I agree to CTD processing personal data given on this form (or other data, which may be obtained from me or other people whilst I am a learner) for any **legitimate** purposes connected with my studies. **All personal data is processed in accordance with current Data protection.**

I confirm that this information is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Applicant Signature:
Date:
Headteacher:
I confirm that all the information contained on this application form is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Headteacher signature:
Name:
Date:

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Mentor Agreement

Establishment:

Mentor Name:
The mentor is that person in the learners workplace most likely to have the expertise and time to assist the learner. They will be appointed by the workplace manager, with agreement from the learner.
The mentor agrees to:
be available for consultation at agreed times
assist the learner to be honest in evaluating their role and tasks
help the learner to find sources for research tasks
assist the learner to achieve written/academic portfolio work if necessary
 encourage the learner to meet the targets they have agreed in the Assessment Plans with their assessor and monitor their progress
consult the assessor about problems if necessary
Mentor Signature: Date:
Learner:
The learner agrees to:
consult their mentor at agreed times

• notify their mentor in advance if help is needed with research

describing them in their portfolio

• honestly notify their mentor about any problems they are experiencing

ask their mentor about any organisational or other procedures if they are unsure, before

•	keep their mentor updated on their progress at a	agreed times
Learner Si	ignature:	Date:
<i>,</i> ,	olem arises between the learner and their mentor d raise the matter with their Manager.	that they cannot resolve themselves,





Autumn 2006

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Awarding Body:

CACHE

Qualification suitable for:

Staff working with children at Foundation Stage to Key Stage 4 in schools

Learning routes to qualification:

 8 workshops and 2 full day sessions over three terms will be provided by Advisory Services tutors.

Assessment methods:

- A CTD assessor will observe you in your normal job role to judge your competence.
- They will also assess the evidence you have provided for.

Time Commitments:

- Preparing for assessment visits.
- Attending 8 half day and 2 full day training sessions.

In addition you will need to spend time compiling your portfolio evidence and preparing for assessment visits. This varies from one learner to another – on average learners spend 4 hours per week

We expect you to achieve this qualification within one school year.

Outline of qualification:

This NVQ comprises of ten Units chosen to reflect the job roles that you have. Four units are mandatory. A further 6 units must be chosen from the four sets of optional units with your assessor and must include at least one from each set. *Full details are shown overleaf.*

Funding:

Norfolk County Council Children's Services will fund a number of learners for this NVQ.

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UNIT CHOICES

MANDATORY UNITS:

- 3.1 Contribute to the management of pupil behaviour
- 3.2 Establish and maintain relationships with individual pupils and groups
- 3.3 Support pupils during learning activities
- 3.4 Review and develop your own professional practice

OPTIONAL UNITS:

(You must choose six, with at least one from each set)

- Set A: 3.5 Assist in preparing and maintaining the learning environment
 - 3.6 Contribute to maintaining pupil records
 - 3.7 Observe and report on pupil performance
 - 3.8 Contribute to the planning and evaluation of learning activities
- Set B: 3.9 Promote pupil's social and emotional development
 - 3.10 Support the maintenance of pupil safety and security
 - 3.11 Contribute to the health and well-being of pupils
 - 3.12 Provide support for bilingual/.multilingual pupils
 - 3.13 Support pupils with communication and interaction difficulties
 - 3.14 Support pupils with cognition and learning difficulties
 - 3.15 Support pupils with behavioural, emotional and social development needs
 - 3.16 Provide support for pupils with sensory and/or physical impairment
- Set C: 3.17 Support the use of ICT in the classroom
 - 3.18 Help pupils to develop their literacy skills
 - 3.19 Help pupils to develop their numeracy skills
 - 3.20 Help pupils to access the curriculum
- Set D: 3.21 Support the development and effectiveness of work teams
 - 3.22 Develop and maintain working relationships with other professionals
 - 3.23 Liaise effectively with parents