

SCHOOL DIRECT INITIAL TEACHER TRAINING PROSPECTUS



UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER University Institute of Education

A WELCOME

FROM KATH KELLY, THE CEO OF THE LIONHEART EDUCATIONAL TRUST



The Lionheart Educational Trust is a Leicestershire based Multi-Academies Trust with 11 schools; 6 secondaries, 4 primaries and 1 sixth form. Founded in April 2014, we aim to establish a foundation for the improvement and enhancement of educational provision in the East Midlands.

To create academic success for our young people, we employ a staff body who are focussed on student learning and the consistent development of practice. Our vision for staff development has two main strands: developing our classroom practitioners to help facilitate life-long learners and providing opportunities for our staff to progress into the next steps of their career.

The strength of our learning and teaching model is that our training, support and rigorous monitoring feeds directly in to the development of each curriculum area and individual practitioner. We believe that directly investing in our staff will lead to improved student attainment and confident practitioners. Through our School Direct programme, we are able to actively support teachers who are just beginning their careers.

We are proud to offer Lionheart Teach and hope that as you read this prospectus, you choose to begin your exciting journey into teaching with us.

"Our educational mission is simple: any young person from any background deserves an equal chance to be successful in whatever they choose to do. Our young people live in a complex and ever changing world; a world in which they will face opportunities as well as new and yet to be defined challenges."



Kath Kelly CEO of the Lionheart Educational Trust

ROUTES INTO TEACHING

A SCHOOL DIRECT PROGRAMME PARTNERED WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER, LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY & NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY

There are three main routes into teaching: a traditional university led Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE), a School-Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) programme and a School Direct programme. School Direct is a school-led initial teacher training (ITT) scheme, run by a partnership between a lead school, other schools and our accredited teacher training providers.

We are proud to offer both a Primary school Direct Route with the University of Leicester and a Secondary School Direct programme partnered with the University of Leicester, Loughborough University and Nottingham Trent University. These partnerships allow us to offer a combination of high quality PGCE study alongside experience in our diverse Trust schools, leading to an increased supply of appropriately trained, suitably qualified and inspirational teachers. Our trainees will achieve full Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and a PGCE with up to 90 masters level credits.

In your training year, you will cover three programmes of study: theory based study, school based study and personal study. Theory based sessions take place in lectures and seminars and provide the knowledge base for trainees. School based sessions allow trainees to practice their method of teaching and learning within the school setting, and personal study involves self-evaluation and reflection which can be in the format of a journal. The effective combination of learning, practice and reflection, ensures that, by the end of the course, trainees become proficient and reflective classroom practitioners.

LEICESTER UNIVERSITY SECONDARY

BIOLOGY - 35PG

CHEMISTRY - 35PH ENGLISH - 35P8

GEOGRAPHY - 35PB

HISTORY -35P9

MATHEMATICS - 35P7

MFL - FRENCH - 35PD

MFL - FRENCH / SPANISH - 35PL

PHYSICS - 35PJ

PHYSICS WITH MATHS - 35PK

SOCIAL SCIENCES - 35PF

LEICESTER UNIVERSITY PRIMARY

PRIMARY PGCE WITH QTS FULL TIME - E229

LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY SECONDARY MATHEMATICS - AE34 PHYSICAL EDUCATION - W284

NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY SECONDARY BIOLOGY - N218

BIOLOGY - N218 BUSINESS STUDIES - J824 CHEMISTRY - U348 COMPUTING - V083

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY - X568

ENGLISH - T126

GEOGRAPHY - E954

MATHEMATICS - M243

PHYSICS - Y554

"We aim to provide you with an excellent experience, developing your subject specialism and approach to teaching in collaboration with an expert team of teaching and support staff."

EMMA LOWE LEAD FOR LIONHEART TEACH

THE TRAINING YEAR

YOU WILL UNDERTAKE TWO TEACHING PLACEMENTS IN OUR PARTNERSHIP SCHOOLS

At Lionheart Teach we start your training during the Summer Term, providing a welcoming induction into our Trust. At the beginning of the academic year you are then also invited to out Trust training days giving you the opportunity to meet key practitioners, complete essential training sessions and attend talks from key researchers in education. Previous keynote speakers have included Caroline Spalding, Daisy Christodoulou, Tom Sherrington and David Didau.

To ensure a contrasting educational setting, your school placements will be based across different schools within our Trust. As a Trust we can offer some flexibility with your placements to suit your circumstances and location.

TEACHING PLACEMENTS			
UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER - SECONDARY - MONDAY-FRIDAY			
PHASE A		PHASE B	
8 WEEKS		15 WEEKS	
UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER - PRIMARY - MONDAY-FRIDAY			
1	2	2	3
6 WEEKS	6 WEEKS		8 WEEKS
LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY - SECONDARY - MONDAY-FRIDAY			
PHASE 1		PHASE 2	
10 WEEKS		10 WEEKS	
NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY - SECONDARY - TUESDAY-FRIDAY			
1.MAIN SCHOOL	2.SECOND SCHOOL		3.MAIN SCHOOL
11-12 WEEKS	6 WEEKS		14-15 WEEKS

WHY LIONHEART TEACH?

COMMITTED TO DEVELOPING OUTSTANDING TEACHERS

- Successful completion leads to both a PGCE and up to 90 master level credits awarded. (dependent on course) by the University or Leicester, Loughborough University and Nottingham Trent University and Qualified Teacher Status.
- A focused programme of continuous professional development (CPD) supports early career opportunities across the Trust.
- Outstanding trainees are offered an early interview for any potential ECT posts in one of our six secondary schools, sixth form college and four primaries.
- Tax free bursary of up to £26,000* available for trainees in some subjects.
- Be part of a Multi-Academies Trust community, with learners from a wide range of ethnic backgrounds and diverse environments.
- Be part of our team and benefit from the wealth of experience with support from School Direct leads, school ITT co-ordinators, personal mentors and subject teams.
- Induction programme in the summer to support your transition into teacher training.
- Lionheart Teach laptop for your training year.

* 2022/23 figures

"The training I received with LionheartTeach was immensely supportive. Mentors and staff coordinating the programme are fantastic at providing the right amount of support and guidance but also knowing when to step back and let you take the reins."

VICTORIA TYE

ENGLISH TEACHER AT THE CEDARS ACADEMY & FORMER LIONHEART TEACH TRAINEE



NEXT STEPS

80% OF OUR COHORT ARE NOW TEACHING ACROSS OUR TRUST SCHOOLS

To apply for Lionheart Teach, it is important that you record personal details accurately to enable us to make any required adjustments and to support you effectively.

- Once you have made the decision to train to teach you should apply through The Department for Education (DFE) where you will find all of our course options. Should you need it, our provider name is: Lionheart Teach and our code is 108.
- 2. Pick up to three training programmes from a range of providers.
- **3.** Complete the education section. We want to know about the subjects you've previously studied, including Maths and English, and the likely outcome of any pending courses. If you have qualifications from outside the UK, you'll need to get a statement of comparability from NARIC.
- 4. Complete your work experience history, including your present occupation, any periods spent abroad, placements and observations. For time in a school or college include details of the age groups and subjects you were directly involved with and for work not in a school or college, include information that illustrates your transferrable skills.
- 5. Complete your personal statement. This should include your reason(s) for wanting to teach, evidence that you understand the rewards and challenges of teaching, previous education and work experience.
- **6.** Request TWO references. We recommend one educational reference and one employer reference.
- 7. Send your application. Make sure you draft and check your work, and have someone proof read it.

"I work at Humphrey Perkins, which is a fantastic school. I've got a fantastic mentor and a brilliant department. I'm absolutely loving my NQT year!"

RACHEL WATSON MATHS TEACHER AT HUMPHREY PERKINS & FORMER LIONHEART TEACH TRAINEE





OUR SCHOOLS

THE LIONHEART EDUCATIONAL TRUST HAS SIX SECONDARIES, FOUR PRIMARIES AND ONE SIXTH FORM



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Beauchamp College

A highly successful and ethnically diverse college in Oadby which educates students from Years 7 through to 13.

Beauchamp City Sixth Form A Post-16 provider in Leicester City Centre which offers a traditional academic curriculum.



The Cedars Academy An 11 to 19 academy in Birstall which prides itself on a culture of high aspirations and hard work.



Judgemeadow Community College

A multi-ethnic and multi-cultural community focused 11 to 16 college in Evington.



Humphrey Perkins School An 11 to 16 school in Barrow Upon Soar with a relentless focus on positive attitudes towards learning.



The Martin High School An 11 to 16 academy in Anstey which focuses on every learner as an individual.



Sir Jonathan North Girls' College A world-class multi-faith girls' school in Knighton, educating students aged 11-16.



Brocks Hill Primary School

A creative Primary school in Oadby where culture lies in growth, success, reflectiveness and celebration.



Hallam Fields Primary School A one-form entry school which opened in Birstall in 2017.



Highcliffe Primary School An Urban Forest School in Birstall where learning is not limited to the classroom.



Riverside Primary Academy

An engaging and vibrant Primary provider in Birstall.

"Training with the Lionheart Educational Trust has provided me valuable support and skills. The same curriculum is taught across the schools which aided my development as a teacher and increased my confidence. As a result, the transition from trainee to NQT was much easier."

SONIA TAILOR

TEACHER OF ENGLISH BEAUCHAMP COLLEGE & FORMER LIONHEART TEACH TRAINEE

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