

NEW National Professional Qualification (NPQ) for SENCOs

We are pleased to announce that we are working with the education charity Ambition Institute to deliver the new NPQ for Special Educational Needs Coordinators. In 18 months, participants will gain expertise using high quality SEND research which can be implemented into SEND strategies in their school.

Those doing the training will learn:

- How to implement SEND identification processes to ensure barriers to learning are addressed early
- Increase the confidence in students and support their development in a safe environment
- Supporting senior leader to ensure staff and governors enact statutory guidance

Benefits to your school:

- Develop your school's SEND provision
- Access to the latest SEND learning through evidence-based training
- Creating a effective school-wide culture

Who needs to take this programme?

Following the government requirements, **this course must be taken within 3 years of a SENCO taking up their post.**

Why this programme?

Ambition Institute has designed this ground-breaking new NPQ to help develop the knowledge and expertise to teaching maths in your school.

This programme uses the latest evidence-based learning to show you how to improve your SEND strategies. This will allow you to put these into practise in the classroom. You will be learning alongside teachers with similar responsibilities.

Ambition Institute knows that school's and trusts' needs vary so they have designed this with flexibility in mind allowing you to complete tasks in a time that suits you. Through Step Lab, this innovative personal development platform has been built for teachers, by teachers, giving access to modules and practise tasks to help improve your SEND knowledge.

Benefits for you

Fostering a positive culture

You will be leading a creating a positive, safe and supportive culture across your school for pupils.

Excelling as a teacher

Learn how to use SEND strategies in classrooms to ensure high-quality teaching and support the needs of all students.

Build your network

You will be training alongside other SENCOs from similar school contexts and you can share these experiences.

Benefits for your school or trust

Improve school outcomes

Your implementation of SENCO learn strategies and solution will create a safe and supportive environment where all pupils can thrive

Create a 'gold' thread

This will allow teachers at all stages of their career to use these skills and oversee staff development leading to better teaching and learning at your school.

Increasing staff attainment

This will allow teachers to nurture and develop their learning of SEND strategies which will increase confidence and make teachers less likely to apply for jobs elsewhere.

High flexibility

Ambition's Institute NPQs are designed to fit around teachers existing timetable and minimal time needed out of school. Short but effective learning is provided using modules which can be completed weekly, at time that suits them.

Curriculum

What you'll learn

This programme follows the [Department of Educations National Professional Qualification \(NPQ\) for Special Educational Needs Co-ordinators](#).

You will learn how to:

- Establish a safe and positive environment for pupils
- Support colleagues to meet individual needs and make sure all pupils have access to a rich curriculum
- Lead school-wide professional development for staff
- Make and act on evidence-informed decisions
- Work well with parents, carers, other schools and the wider community
- Lead by example, be accountable for decisions and make sure colleagues know their responsibilities.

How you'll learn:

The content is delivered through blended learning. This includes a mix of Covid-safe face-to-face conferences, real-time, interactive online sessions and self-guided modules you can complete in your own time. You will put what you learn into practice in your school and can track your progress and get feedback as you go.

Note: programme content is subject to change.

Assessment

The assessment window starts at the end of the 18-month programme and runs for three months.

During this time, participants will be given an eight-day window to sit an 'open book' style assessment in which they respond to a short case study.

There are two assessment windows every year, and participants can sit the assessment two times, if they need to.

You need to complete the course to qualify for the NPQ accreditation.

Ambition Institute will offer a webinar and live clinic in advance of the assessment window to support participants.