

NPQH

National Professional Qualification for Headship

Fully funded
for 2023/2024

Are you currently a school leader who is aspiring to be a headteacher or head of school with responsibility for leading a school?
Would you like to develop expertise in the knowledge, skills and concepts for areas of whole school responsibility as a headteacher?
Are you ready to take the next step in your school leadership role?

How will I benefit?

Colleagues will receive expert input from our facilitation team who represent the diversity and experience of school leadership within our region. Working with experienced school leaders and facilitators, you will be supported to effectively implement change and improvement in an area related to your role

A refreshed assessment process in place for all NPQs to reduce the workload burden while still providing an opportunity to apply knowledge in one summative written case study

Over 18 months, using a fully blended learning approach and enrichment activities, you will access content across a breadth of areas such as teaching, behaviour and professional development to develop you as a senior school leader.

With the backing of your school, the start of your NPQ journey is just an application away

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Local Expert Leaders

You will receive expert input from our facilitation team who represent the diversity and experience of school leadership within our region. Our facilitators are all Headteachers from Leicester City and Leicestershire Primary and Secondary schools and will offer support and content appropriate to your locality and updated to reflect national developments and legislation.



Dawn Parkinson

Dawn has been Headteacher at Beaumont Leys School, which serves a diverse community, for over ten years. Prior to headship Dawn led many areas as a senior leader including overcoming disadvantage, pastoral, inclusion, T&L, staff development, curriculum and assessment and self-evaluation and has been a primary school governor and pupil premium reviewer.



Matt Nicole

An experienced NPQ facilitator, Matt is the Principal of Redmoor Academy, a successful 11-16 secondary school of 925 students, situated in Hinckley. Matt is passionate about inclusivity for students and empowering staff through CPD.



Mandi Collins

Mandi is Trust Leader of the mixed primary and secondary MAT Success AT, as well as Principal of Thomas Estley CC. She currently oversees all TELA learning alliance CPD and has delivered NPQ at all levels from specialist to NPQEL over the last decade.



Emma Prokipczuk

Emma is the Executive Principal of 3 schools - All Saints CE Primary Sapcote, Sharnford CE Primary School and Ullesthorpe CE Primary School, part of Inspiring Primaries Academy Trust. Emma is passionate about staff accessing high quality CPD and this is the main driver for her delivering on the NPQLT and NPQH programmes.

Working with local school leaders and subject matter experts to turn new learning into positive changes for you, your colleagues and your school

Engaging Content and Assessment

You will develop expertise in the knowledge, skills and concepts for responsibility related to your role as an aspiring or current leading teacher.

100% of NPQ participants with the Leicester and Leicestershire Teaching School Hub passed their NPQ in 2023, a success well above the national average

What you will learn

You will develop as a specialist in areas related to your role by subject and phase. The programme lasts 18 months and is a blend of one hour online seminars, 3 x face to face meetings (launch and 2 x conferences) and flexible online learning. Modules include:

- Organisational management
- Governance and accountability
 - School culture
 - Behaviour
 - Teaching
- Curriculum and assessment
 - Additional SEND
- Professional Development
 - Working in partnership
- Group and assessment information

How you will be assessed

The assessment process for all NPQs has been refreshed to reduce the workload burden on teachers while still providing an opportunity to apply knowledge gained through the programme.

To pass the NPQH programme, members will need to have engaged with at least 90% of the course and must pass a summative assessment in the form of a written case study. This will be based on an area covered in the programme. Assessment takes place within three months of completing the NPQ programme that will be an unseen case study of 2,000 words. Delegates will have 7 days to submit a response in no more than 1500 words. An extra, optional online seminar offering assessment guidance and support will be available to colleagues.



Impact and Evaluation

We want to make sure schools in Leicester and Leicestershire get the best specialist leadership training and support to succeed. That's good for our young people, who get brilliant leaders. It's good for our teachers who want to progress. It's good for our schools who get to develop and keep talented staff.

The leaders of the programme have been really friendly and approachable. They clearly have so much knowledge between them and have been open about things they may have not done as well as they could in their roles as headteacher. There is a good mix of primary and secondary colleagues so you feel you are represented from your particular phase of education.

2021 LeLTSH NPQH colleague

Highlights for me have been engaging with recent research and taking an evidence-informed approach. I have been able to implement new knowledge back in school and seen a positive change already.

I have developed my confidence as a school leader and have valued working with peers to share best practice, collaborate and support each other under the guidance of experienced and knowledgeable leaders.

2022 LeLTSH NPQH colleague

Completing this course alongside my current leadership role has been invaluable. It has given me the confidence to flourish as a leader with knowledge and up to date research at the heart.

2022 LeLTSH NPQH colleague,

98% of NPQ colleagues in our region agree or strongly agree that the training delivered by Leicester and Leicestershire Teaching School hub is of high quality.

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