WHO ARE WE?

The East London Alliance SCITT is calling for applications from the most able graduates to train to be teachers. The School Direct programme allows top graduates, or those who have been working in a career, to combine training with learning on the job.

The East London Alliance School Centred Initial Teacher Training (ELA SCITT) is based at Tollgate Primary School. It offers a route into teaching through the School Direct programmes, which will lead to the award of Qualified Teacher Status (QTS). In addition we are able to offer a tuition fee funded programme which will lead to a PGCE.

WHY TRAIN WITH US?

We have successfully trained cohorts of trainees to become teachers and all the trainees have successfully secured employment. A School Direct trainee from last year stated: ‘This was a tough but rewarding course. When I was struggling to keep up the programme course leaders supported me to identify my next learning steps. Since then I have been able to improve my practice in the class room and demonstrate that I am an outstanding practitioner. I am grateful to Tollgate Primary School and the alliance of schools for their support and challenge and helping me secure my first teaching post.’

The Director of the Teaching School; Caroline Stone stated “We are looking forward to receiving applications from those individuals with the potential to be brilliant teachers. School Direct allows us to customise the training to meet the needs of both the school and the trainees, who gain practical experience from day one. It is a great way to learn and qualify to become a teacher, by offering trainees support from their future colleagues who have a wealth of experience. They will also benefit from further learning opportunities to develop their teaching skills and progress quickly into leadership positions.”

WHAT IS THE TRAINING?

School Direct Tuition Fee Funded: This route is a school based training model and there will be cross phase Primary placements across our network of schools. You will be trained, mentored and coached by highly experienced classroom practitioners and the course will have a strong focus on pedagogical understanding. This is a postgraduate programme and a Professional Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) will be awarded by a Higher Education Institute.

School Direct Salaried: This route will be a school based training model and there will be cross phase Primary placements across our network of schools. You will be trained, mentored and coached by highly experienced classroom practitioners and the course will have a strong focus on pedagogical understanding. As the trainee teacher you will be employed by a school throughout your training. As a SCITT we will accredit you with your QTS. It is highly recommended that you have a sponsor school before you apply and ensure this is clearly stated on your application form.
HOW DO I APPLY?

1. Apply for a place on the School Direct Salaried / Tuition Fee Funded programme by visiting www.ucas.com/apply/teacher-training
2. Select Tollgate Primary School and follow the instructions in order to register and apply to the programme.
3. You will be issued with a reference number which will enable you to book your skills tests.
4. Book your skills and sit them within 2 working weeks of applying for the programme.
5. Ensure that you inform us when you have successfully passed the skills tests in order for your application to be processed.

Interviews will take place following applications via UCAS. These will take place at Tollgate Primary School, Barclay Road, London E13 8SA

There is no closing date for applications. We will continue to review applications until the course is full.

Please note that you will need to apply to carry out your QTS Skills Tests in mathematics and English before you can be considered for interview. Therefore you must follow the steps below:

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS DO I NEED?

You will need a GCSE C or above (or an equivalence exam) in English, mathematics and science. You will need a degree at least at a 2.2 or above.

Graduates can apply for one of two options: a fee-based programme, paid for by the trainee through the Student Loans Scheme. This offers well-qualified graduates the opportunity to train in a school and receive a bursary (if eligible); or the salaried programme. This is an employment-based route available to graduates with three years’ work experience and ensures trainees are paid a salary while they train.

At the end of the course graduates will receive a PGCE qualification, which has both national and international currency.

People interested in becoming a teacher should visit: www.education.gov.uk/getintoteaching or contact the Teaching Line on 0800 389 2500.

FURTHER INFORMATION

1. For further information contact: Caroline Stone at Teachingschool@tollgate.newham.sch.uk
2. The tax-free bursaries can rise to £25k for School Direct trainees whose training is based in a school where more than 35% of pupils are eligible for free school meals.
3. For further information on the current grant funding and financial incentives associated with the School Direct training programme go to: http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/careers/traininganddevelopment/initial/itt-funding-and-allocations/school-direct

Accreditation Pathways through the Tollgate Teaching School Alliance
Entry into the East London Alliance SCITT

- **Salaried Trainees** - receive QTS after 1 year

- **NQT Training + PGCE accreditation with UEL + 60 Masters credits** (£4500)

- **NQT Plus One Training + 30 Masters Credits (Reflective task)** (£250)

- **Offer in third year of teaching - 30 Masters Credits - (£1041) (Taught module)**

- **Dissertation worth 60 credits (£1041) - Gain Masters accreditation**

- **Masters accreditation offered to staff alongside the accreditation of prior experience. **

- **PGCE offered to staff with QTS only**

- **Fee Funded Trainees** - receive QTS with ELA SCITT and PGCE with UEL + 60 credits to a Masters - (£4500)

- **NQT Training + 30 Masters credits with UEL** (Reflective task) (£250)

- **NQT Plus One Training + 30 Masters Credits - (£1041) (Taught module)**

- **Apply for AEL**

- **£2082**