



Progression

At FWA we can take you from trainee teacher to Early Career Teacher and right through to headship.

Since starting School Direct Training in 2013 we have had a 100% pass rate. 100% of our trainees have gone on to secure teaching posts, 65% have found employment within FW Alliance schools.

Working with our partner Leicestershire & Rutland Teaching School Hub, Early Career Teachers who secure employment within our Alliance will be able to access early career training and induction over two years. FWA provides a well established, high quality professional development programme for teachers providing training and network groups and again with LRTSH also provide access to National Professional Qualifications all the way through to Headship.

Testimonials

We think FWA is a great place to train to teach, but don't just take our word for it. Here's what our former trainees have said...

"It is really great being in school from day one and getting to know the children along with your mentor; it really makes you feel like part of the team."
Joanne

"The experience I have gained on the course has been invaluable. Through support from my mentor and link tutor I feel ready to start my teaching career."
Amy

"This year has been so well organised, with lots of support from my mentors, link tutor, our programme managers and fellow trainees, so you never feel alone!"
Emily

"Hub days are so useful... it's so nice to have a team of people to bounce ideas off and who support each, I will really miss this!"
Becca

Train to teach with us

Forest Way Alliance

We offer School Direct routes into teaching for Primary, Secondary and Special with training placements arranged for you at local schools within our Alliance.



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PGCE Programme
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Primary & Secondary

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About us

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Forest Way Alliance is based in the North West Leicestershire area and is an alliance of over 30 primary schools, 5 special schools and 5 secondary schools. Please see our website for a list of all the schools we work with.



www.forestwaytsa.org

Now in our tenth year of providing Teacher Training, we work in partnership with the **University of Derby**, **University of Leicester** and **Loughborough University** to provide School Direct programmes of training in which you will gain a PGCE and Masters credits by the end of the training period.

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Our selection criteria

Teaching is a demanding but hugely rewarding career. It requires individuals who have a very wide range of skills, knowledge, experience and aptitude and we look for these qualities in our applicants.

- A genuine commitment to teaching
- Excellent communication skills
- Ability to form good and effective relationships
- Reflective qualities
- Emotional resilience
- An awareness of current issues in education
- Energy and a sense of humour

We are looking for trainees who are excited about the School Direct PGCE year and the opportunities available to them.

What your training will look like

For trainees on the University of Derby route:

based in your placement school from day one, you will be working closely with an experienced practitioner and mentor. One training day per fortnight will be spent at University and one day per fortnight is spent at our Training Hub, where training is led by our Programme Managers who bring a wealth of experience, educational skills and knowledge.

- 24 weeks school based training
- 1 main placement and second placement in a different phase
- 1 week special school experience
- Year round support from FWA programme manager and university if required

For trainees on the University of Leicester & Loughborough University route:

Although your placements will be at Alliance schools, you will share most of your studies with the Secondary PGCE students on the 'core' (University led) PGCE. These routes differ from the University of Derby route in that training is provided solely by the Universities and no time is spent training at the Forest Way Training Hub.

Entry requirements

Primary

- Minimum 2nd class degree
- GCSE at C/4 or above in English, Maths and Science
- Academic and professional references

Secondary

- At least 2:1 degree for Leicester & Loughborough
- At least 2:2 degree for Derby
- GCSE at C/4 or above in English and Maths
- Academic and professional references

We have a wide range of secondary subjects available, please see our entries on the Find Teacher Training website

www.gov.uk/find-postgraduate-teacher-training-courses
or the Forest Way Alliance website for details.

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Why train with us

We believe we offer a very high quality and personalised PGCE training programme. We have worked closely, In collaboration with our partners, to develop a Primary and Secondary programme which incorporates hands on work at schools, regular time at university and practical, locally based training led by skilled and experienced practitioners.

- We offer a well established School Direct programme
- Our partnership schools have a vast experience of training teachers and of collaboration
- You will gain a PGCE with 60 Masters credits on the University of Derby route and 90 Masters credits on the University of Leicester and Loughborough University route
- Derby and Loughborough trainees will have experience in a special school
- FWA arrange all school placements, you do not have to find your own.

How to apply

Applications are made through the website

[Apply for teacher training](https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-teacher-training)

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Cost

£9,250 – bursaries may be available.

Visit the **Get into Teaching** website for more information

<https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/>

There is a lot of information available to help you make the right choice as to which teacher training route to take.

See the DfE website **Get Into Teaching**
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