

Selection

School Direct offers a unique training route to achieving QTS and aims to attract the highest calibre of applicant. In order to apply for a place you must have the following:

- A UK undergraduate degree [or equivalent] 2:1 though we are willing to consider applicants who have a 2:2 who can demonstrate a real aptitude for teaching
- A GCSE grade C or above in English & Maths, or equivalent
- A GCSE grade C or above in Science, or equivalent, if you are applying to teach primary
- Recent and relevant experience in a mainstream classroom prior to interview
- Strong subject knowledge of the subject you wish to teach for secondary applicants
- Successful completion of the National Literacy & Numeracy Skills Tests – please go to <http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/careers/traininganddevelopment/professional> for further Information.

We are looking for ambitious trainee teachers who have enthusiasm, are highly motivated, energetic and creative. We are looking for people who enjoy new challenges, work effectively in a team and who believe that all young people can achieve success.

Selection will be carried out by the four schools in conjunction with Northumbria University. Please see the UCAS Teacher Training single application system to submit your application.

Thank you for your interest in our new opportunities. We look forward to receiving your completed application.



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with
Ponteland
Middle School
and partners**

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Why Train with us?

Thank you for your interest in training to become a teacher through the School Direct programme based Ponteland Middle School. Short placements will be based at Whitley Bay High School (or one of their partner schools), The Royal Grammar School, Newcastle The King Edward VI School, Morpeth. We are pleased to be working in partnership with Northumbria University, recognised by OFSTED as an outstanding provider of initial teacher education across all age phases.

The schools work closely together to:

Promote collaborative practice and mutual respect within our partnerships and communities.

Facilitate a high quality and positive learning climate for pupils, staff and trainees.

Ensure learning is personalised, so that all of our children, staff and trainees have the opportunity to achieve their full potential.

Provide a broad, balanced and inclusive curriculum which is challenging, realistic and responsive to changing needs and opportunities.

Aspire continually to excel throughout all we do. Recognise and celebrate achievement of all.

Places on Offer

We are pleased to have been allocated 5 places for School Direct in 2018/19

Primary Places (2)

There is one Primary School Direct place in Ponteland Middle School for Upper KS2 (Years 5 & 6) with opportunity in Year 7 & Year 8; and KS1 placements in partnership schools; and there is one Primary placement based at Berwick Middle School.

Secondary Maths (3 places)

There are three Secondary School Direct places at Ponteland Middle School for Years 7 & 8 with opportunities to complete short placements at Whitley Bay High School (or one of their partner schools), The Royal Grammar School, Newcastle or The King Edward VI School, Morpeth.

Secondary Maths (1 place)

Based at Ponteland Middle School with a short assessed placement at one of the above partner schools teaching across key stages 3 and 4 with the opportunity to experience sixth form teaching. Maths at PCMS is an exceptionally strong department with excellent liaisons with partner schools students consistently gain A*-C grades with high percentage gaining A* or A. There is a strong take-up of A level Maths and Further Maths.

Secondary History (1 place)

Based at Ponteland Middle School with a short assessed placement at one of the above partner schools teaching across key stages 3 and 4 with the opportunity to experience sixth form teaching. Trainees would also have opportunities in KS2.

Secondary Geography (1 place)

Based at Ponteland Middle School (with a short assessed placement at one of the above partner schools) teaching across key stages 3 and 4 with the opportunity to experience sixth form teaching and teaching in KS2.

Please school websites below for further information:

www.pontelandmiddle.northumberland.sch.uk

Ponteland Middle School is a designated Teaching School providing bespoke training, CPD and performance management packages ensuring consistent development for teachers and teaching assistants in the profession.

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