



Get Into Teaching Event – Saturday 19th January 2019

Time: 9:30am – 1:00pm

Fearnhill School, Icknield Way West, Letchworth, Hertfordshire, SG6 4BA

Attendees Frequently Asked Questions - FAQs

Questions	Answers
Where can I get more information about getting in to teaching?	<p>The most comprehensive source of information is the Department for Education's Get Into Teaching website. Please have a good read through, watch the videos and articles to help inform your questions before you come to the event.</p> <p>https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/</p>
Am I eligible to train as a teacher?	<p>You need to have a degree (or equivalent qualification) to train on a postgraduate initial teacher training course. This can be as a School Direct trainee, as part of a School-centred initial teacher training (SCITT) or via a university.</p> <p>If you don't have a degree (or equivalent qualification), you can train on a university led undergraduate course and graduate with qualified teacher status (QTS). The University of Hertfordshire and Cambridge University will be on hand to answer questions about this.</p> <p>To teach all age groups you need to have a GCSE grade C / 4 (or standard equivalent) in mathematics and English.</p> <p>To teach in a primary school you need a science subject at GCSE grade C / 4 as well.</p>
I have an overseas qualification	<p>You may be asked to formally recognise any overseas qualifications through UK NARIC. You can compare overseas qualifications to the British degree standard on GOV.UK. It is worth looking in to this as soon as possible and prior to the event.</p>
Professional skills tests	<p>You have to pass the professional skills tests in numeracy and literacy before you begin your teacher training. The key to passing is plenty of preparation and practice.</p> <p>You will need to have a high standard of oral and written English to be able to complete these. You can find practice papers for these on the getintoteaching.gov.uk website. Click Here for Sample Skills Tests</p>

<p>Will I be able to ask someone advice about Returning to Teaching and the options available to me?</p>	<p>Yes. You will be able to meet experienced practitioners face to face at the workshops and the teaching schools will have stands to offer advice throughout the morning. All exhibitors will be happy to answer any questions that you have. At the larger recruitment fairs taking place in February, March and May there will be more schools available with vacancies and they will be able to offer work experience.</p> <p>NB: It is suggested that you research the Get into Teaching website before you attend as this has a special section on Returning to Teaching which you might find useful and personal advice is available. https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/explore-my-options/return-to-teaching/return-to-teaching</p>
<p>Is parking available?</p>	<p>Yes, there is plenty of free on-site parking at Fearnhill School, SG6 4BQ.</p> <p>Please follow the directions to ensure you park safely on site and all emergency exits are kept clear.</p> <p>The school is located 15 minutes from Junction 9 of the A1M, roughly 10 minutes from the A507 at Stotfold and 5 minutes from the Wyevale Garden Centre on the A505.</p> <p>Further directions can be found on the school website: http://www.fearnhill.herts.sch.uk/contact/</p>
<p>Is there public transport to the event?</p>	<p>The nearest mainline station is Letchworth Garden City.</p> <p>A free shuttle bus from the train station to Fearnhill School will run during the event. The first shuttle bus will leave Letchworth Garden City station just after 9.15am. Throughout the morning the shuttle bus will travel between the school and the station at regular intervals, with the final journey being to the train station at 1.00pm.</p> <p>The shuttle bus will display a Teach in Herts sign inside the window.</p>
<p>What time does the event start?</p>	<p>The Get Into Teaching event is open between 9.30am and 1.00pm and will close promptly at 1.00pm.</p>
<p>Do I need to arrive at 9.30am?</p>	<p>No - you can arrive at any time during the event but we recommend that you arrive no later than 11:30am as you will need a minimum of 1½ hours to make your visit worthwhile.</p>
<p>Where do I go on the day?</p>	<p>Upon arrival at the school entrance please drive through the car park and to the right to the tennis court car park (see map on website) to a rear pedestrian entrance and you will see the registration desk.</p> <p>If you are attending but have not pre-registered you can register with Teach in Herts staff upon arrival. If you know someone else who is interested in teaching, please encourage them to come along.</p> <p>We recommend you arrive for the recruitment fair by 11:30am at the latest to allow yourself enough time to attend a workshop and meet the teaching school alliances. The event will close promptly at 1pm.</p>

How long do I need to stay at the event?	Stay as long as you want to! This will depend on how long you spend talking to schools at their exhibition stands and if you would like to attend the workshops.
What is the format of the event?	The Get Into Teaching event is informal. After signing in at the reception desk you are free to speak with the exhibiting schools and the Universities to discuss your route in to teaching, attend free workshops and talk directly to experts about developing your teaching career.
What are the workshops?	Workshop A – Train to be a Teacher (incl. how to make an application) Workshop B – My School Direct Journey (personal experiences of recent trainees)
What are the timings of the workshops?	Closer to the date of the event we will issue timings of workshops and further instructions. The workshops will be approximately 30 minutes in length
Will there be presentations / speeches?	The workshops will start with a presentation and will provide an opportunity to ask questions at the end. There will be no formal speeches.
Do I need to bring anything with me?	No – you do not need to bring anything with you on the day, although if it is busy it can be helpful to have your contact details and key areas of interest printed to give to schools. You may wish to make notes in the workshops and as you talk to schools/university so it could be helpful to have a pen and paper with you to make notes.
Is there a dress code?	No - this is an informal event with no dress code.
Will there be refreshments available?	Yes - free tea and coffee will be available for attendees during the day. A tea / coffee voucher will be provided to you when you sign on. (Please do not bring any snacks which contain nuts).
Can I bring my child/children with me?	The recruitment event has been developed to support you with starting your teaching career. You are welcome to bring your child /children but they must be accompanied by an adult at all times and must not be left unsupervised whilst you attend the event.