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TRAIN TEACH TRANSFORM

Why choose Bright Futures SCITT?

Secondary  
Programme



## Why train with us?

We are proud to be SCITT experts, with many years of experience delivering School-Centred Initial Teacher Training programmes.

- We focus on hands-on classroom experience and personalised mentorship, and have a variety of placement schools, carefully selected and centred around you.
- We are an accredited SCITT provider and a “provider of choice”, trusted by the Department for Education to award Qualified Teaching Status across our partnership.



### Altrincham Grammar School for Girls

BRIGHT FUTURES EDUCATIONAL TRUST



- We are led by an outstanding school, Altrincham Grammar School for Girls and partnered with the award-winning University of Derby for our Postgraduate Certificate in Education - both have excellent reputations.
- We develop universal teachers - with training in 2 contrasting schools and enrichment opportunities in primary age phase, sixth form, SEND and Pupil Referral Units, you will become a sought after “teacher for all schools”



Trainees blossom into  
highly professional and  
reflective practitioners.

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## Our Trust has a sector-renowned Professional Development Institute

This includes a double Teaching School Hub for Trafford & Salford and Manchester & Stockport, an Early Years Stronger Practice Hub, NW1 Maths Hub and Bright Futures Training.



## We are inclusive

Everyone is welcome, differences are valued and seen as a strength. EDI is at the heart of all we do. Our trainees have an equal voice in their development, and we are small enough to know our trainees well which enables us to provide tailored support.



**Trainees are well prepared to enter the profession and to successfully embark on their journey as early career teachers.**  
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## We are people-focused and are renowned for our strong pastoral and academic support

We place a strong emphasis on well-being and workload management. We avoid unnecessary tasks/homework.

## We have high employment rates

100% for our secondary trainees.



**100%**  
Employment  
Rate

## Our ITT Programme Leads to:

- Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) which allows you to take up a teaching post in England, teaching any age group.
- Post Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE).
- The PGCE gives you 60 M Level credits which can be put towards a Master's Qualification.
- Teachers are in demand – and our employment rates are excellent. Salaries start at £32,916 (outside of London) and £40,317 (London).



**Bright Futures SCITT**  
is the provider of choice  
for trainees and schools.  
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## Where will my placement school be?

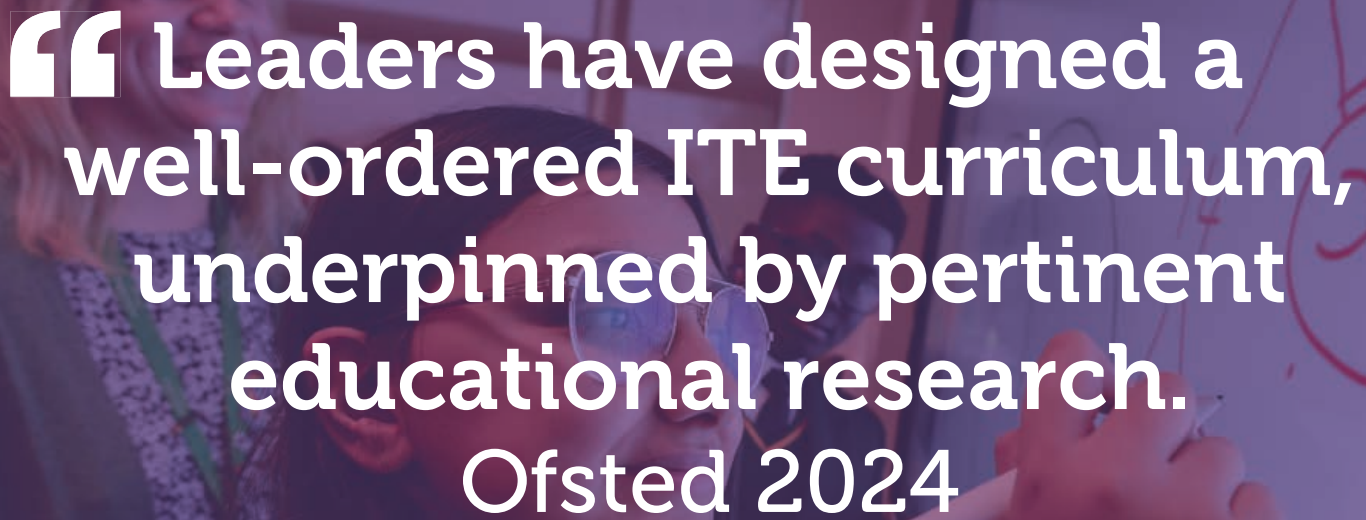
We have a wide variety of placement schools in a variety of contexts and you will complete your training in 2 carefully selected, contrasting schools. Selection of placement schools takes trainee location and travel time into consideration - your well-being is prioritised.

In addition to your placement schools, you will get the following enrichment opportunities:

- Key Stage 2 & 5 Placements
- Special Provision (SEND) visit
- English as an Additional Language (EAL) visit
- Employability day
- Intensive training and practice weeks

## Our QTS Curriculum:

- Exceeds the core curriculum framework and is based on current and seminal research.
- Follows a model of Learn (in training), Explore (with mentors), Apply (in the classroom).
- Has 3 distinct curriculum phases: Introductory (Beginning to Teach), Developmental (Understanding Learning) and Consolidation (Refining Practice).
- Builds subject knowledge through 10 Subject Enhancement Days.
- Includes 20 days of Intensive Training and Practice (ITaP).



**Leaders have designed a well-ordered ITE curriculum, underpinned by pertinent educational research.**  
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**Our 4 Curriculum Strands are woven through every session**

**Subject  
Knowledge**

**Equity,  
Diversity &  
Inclusion**

**Adaptive  
Practice**

**Mental Health  
& Wellbeing**

**And we have 4 key Curriculum Foci:**

- Developing independent, resilient teachers
- Building classroom presence and positive behaviour
- Increasing teacher understanding of Equity Diversity and Inclusion
- Trainee well-being and building support partnerships

## You will be well supported

We are people-focused and renowned for our strong pastoral and academic support. You will get:

- Support from the SCITT and Secondary Lead
- Support from a professional and subject mentor on placement
- Weekly supportive mentor meetings
- Personal Academic Tutor support
- Pastoral support from the SCITT Manager



**Bright Futures SCITT provides a caring and supportive environment for trainees. Ofsted 2024**

## When will I first start teaching?

You join your Placement School on the first day of term and you meet fellow trainees, colleagues and the department before pupils arrive.

There is a progressive teaching timetable across the year:

- You start with observations and TA support (early September).
- You begin to plan collaboratively with your mentor, teach sections and then full lessons, building initially to 4/5 lessons a week by October half-term (with a mentor there to support you).
- You meet weekly as a SCITT cohort to develop practice and understand theory at our training centre in Altrincham, or occasionally in other locations.

## The PGCE Programme

Alongside your QTS training, you will receive 8 days of PGCE training – 3 days in central Manchester face to face, and 5 days online.

We are proud to be partnered with the University of Derby which is listed in the Top 20 Universities for Teaching Quality and Student satisfaction (Times, Sunday Times and the Complete Good University Guide 2024). Their PGCE has been ranked as outstanding by Ofsted.



You will have access to all university resources (online library/student discount cards/counselling support) plus a dedicated personal tutor.

There will be 3 assignments to pass in order to qualify, and the PGCE qualification is worth 60 masters credits.

## How will I be assessed?

We prioritise your well-being and workload – and only ask you to do things that add impact and value. You will be assessed through:

- Weekly supportive mentor meetings to discuss your training, development and key areas for focus.
- A termly collaborative progress review visit from your phase lead.
- An interim report and summative report each placement from your mentor.
- 3 assignments to write across the year for your PGCE.

## Entry requirements

- A degree awarded by a UK university classified as 2.2 or higher. (Degrees from abroad need to be verified as equivalent by an ENIC [Statement of Comparability](#))
- A minimum of 25 - 50% of the degree content must be in the subject you wish to teach.
- At least 3 GCSEs grade A\*-C /grade 4 (or better) to include English Language and Mathematics.
- We will accept equivalency qualifications for your GCSEs.
- Subject Knowledge Enhancement courses are available in some subjects.
- We encourage you to gain school experience with us before your application/programme begins.

## Fees & Funding

- School-centred training course fees for QTS with PGCE are £9,790. (For QTS only, fees are £7,970).
- Tuition fee and maintenance loans are available through Student Finance England. Refer to Student Finance England to see if you are eligible.  
<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance-calculator>
- Bursaries are available for applicants in shortage subjects. More information is available at the following website. <https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-and-support/scholarships-and-bursaries>

## How to apply?

- You apply through the Department for Education website <https://www.apply-for-teacher-training.education.gov.uk/candidate> (Bright Futures SCITT code is G65).
- Prepare a personal statement in your own words, conveying your passion, suitability and experience (statements generated by AI will not be considered).
- Source 2 referees – ideally academic and professional.

Contact: [admin@scitt.bright-futures.co.uk](mailto:admin@scitt.bright-futures.co.uk)

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We would love to meet you and show you around our training facilities!