

### **West London Teacher Education Collaboration**

## **Introduction to the Entry Level Mentor Development**

#### **Guidance:**

- In order to progress onto the **Mastery Level** mentor development modules, a mentor must firstly have **completed** the **Entry level** mentor development modules **One** and **Two**. They will have mentored a student teacher for the foundation or a single placement in the year. They will have obtained recognition for this single placement mentoring through the award of **Entry Level** Certification.
- Entry Level modules are:
  - Module 1 Understanding the Provider processes and paperwork;
  - Module 2 Getting the best out of the weekly meeting.
- Mastery Level modules are:
  - Module 3: Observation and feedback skills
  - Module 4: Listening skills and difficult conversations
  - Module 5: Being a reflective practitioner
  - Module 6: The Teacher as a researcher
- Before starting the Mastery modules a mentor must have revisited the Mentor Audit and updated their confidence levels showing progress in their knowledge and understanding from the first Entry Level audit they undertook.
- In order to gain recognition for the **Mastery Level** certification a mentor must have completed a full year cycle with a student teacher seeing them through the various stages of school experiences that make up the year. This could be completed over a two year period.
- Mentors aiming to be recognised as gaining **Mastery Level** certification will need to have dated evidence from work undertaken with the student teacher over the year(s).
- The two modules below <u>need to be completed</u> so as to supply evidence to cross reference against the National Mentors Standards framework.

Modules 3 to 6 for the Mastery Level can be completed once a mentor has provided evidence of engaging with Modules 1 and 2.

Module One : Linked with National Mentor Standards	Suggested activities:
Standard 1: Personal Qualities	Understanding the Provider processes and documentation
<ul> <li>Be approachable, make time for the student teacher, and prioritise meetings and discussions with them</li> <li>Use a range of effective interpersonal skills to respond to the needs of the student teacher</li> </ul>	Attend and engage with Provider input about their processes and documentation



- Offer support with integrity, honesty and respect
- Use appropriate challenge to encourage the student teacher to reflect on their practice.
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### Standard 2: Teaching

- Support the student teacher in forming good relationships with pupils, and in developing effective behaviour and classroom management strategies
- Support the student teacher in developing effective approaches to planning, teaching and assessment
- Give constructive, clear and timely feedback on lesson observations
- Enable and encourage the student teacher to evaluate and improve their teaching

## Suggested activities:

# Module Two: Linked with National Mentor Standards

## **Standard 1: Personal Qualities**

- Use a range of effective interpersonal skills to respond to the needs of the student teacher
- Offer support with integrity, honesty and respect
- Use appropriate challenge to encourage the student teacher to reflect on their practice
- Give constructive, clear and timely feedback on lesson observations
- Resolve in-school issues on the student teacher's behalf where they lack the confidence or experience to do so themselves

#### **Standard 2: Teaching**

- Support the student teacher in developing the highest standards of professional and personal conduct
- Give constructive, clear and timely feedback on lesson observations
- Broker opportunities to observe best practice

# Getting the best out of the weekly professional learning meeting

Tasks as outlined in the Module two task sheet, to include:

- Watching a video clip and completing an associated task
- Reflections on the style of feedback provided



- Support the student teacher in accessing expert subject and pedagogical knowledge
- Resolve in-school issues on the student teacher's behalf where they lack the confidence or experience to do so themselves
- Enable and encourage the student teacher to evaluate and improve their teaching

### **Standard 3: Professionalism**

 Encourage the student teacher to participate in the life of the school and understand its role within the wider community;