

Northern Lights Teaching School Hub Appropriate Body [AB] Service

The Northern Lights Teaching School Hub comprises of a range of strategic partners across Sunderland, South Tyneside, Gateshead and the wider region which provide AB services to meet the needs of our region across all phases and settings. We are school led and as a provider of the Early Career Framework, we have the understanding of the Appropriate Body role in the new education landscape. From September, Appropriate Bodies must now also check that ECT induction has fidelity to the Early Career Framework – as a Hub offering the Early Career Framework we have a full understanding of this role. All schools that offer a statutory induction are required to have an Appropriate Body for their Early Career Teachers (ECTs) to ensure they are accessing all aspects of the Early Career Framework.

If you have any queries about our Appropriate Body offer then please get in touch via email tshinfo@nllt.co.uk .

Summary costs for schools are listed as:

OPTION 1	£135 per year, per ECT*	AB & ECF with Northern Lights Teaching School Hub full induction programme
OPTION 2	£150 per year, per ECT*	AB with Northern Lights Teaching School Hub, ECF with another national provider following full induction programme
OPTION 3	£150 per year, per ECT* + £400 per year, per school	AB with Northern Lights Teaching School Hub, ECF core induction programme – using DFE approved materials
OPTION 4	£150 per year, per ECT* + £850 per year, per school	AB with Northern Lights Teaching School Hub, ECF school developed induction programme

*Please see discounts below for multiple ECTs.

The Northern Lights Teaching School Hub AB is committed to ensuring value for money and not charging more than the cost of supplying this service. Therefore, the pricing for this service will be revised annually and any savings made due to uptake will be passed on to schools where possible. For schools with multiple ECTs, there will be a reduced rate to reflect the changes of services required for single school monitoring.



Please refer to the table below for a detailed overview of services:

	Type of ECF Programme adopted				
	OPTION 1	OPTION 2	OPTION 3	OPTION 4	
AB function	AB with Northern Lights TSH & ECF with Northern Lights TSH (<i>full induction programme</i> <i>with EDT</i>)	AB with Northern Lights Teaching School Hub. ECF with another national provider following full induction programme	AB with Northern Lights Teaching School Hub, ECF core induction programme – using DFE approved materials	AB with Northern Lights Teaching School Hub, ECF school developed induction programme	
Registration of ECTs on TRA system	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	
Monitoring of ECT through collection of termly monitoring reports	~	~	✓	✓	
Additional support for ECT not meeting Teacher Induction Standards	\checkmark	\checkmark	~	✓	
Assessment of ECT at 2 formal assessment points – end of Yr1 and end of Yr2 of induction period	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Quality assurance of	*	*	✓	✓	
school's ECT programme prior to ECT beginning	N/A – DFE approved and recommended route	N/A – DFE approved and recommended route	Check of programme prior to start of the induction	Check of programme prior to start of the induction	
induction.			period by the to ensure schools plans for delivery using published core ECF programme materials are	period by the to ensure schools plans for delivery are in line with the statutory guidance for	



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	×	×	in line with the statutory guidance for induction and meet the ECF induction programme standards.	induction and meet the ECF induction programme standards. Schools will need to provide detailed breakdown of the programme for years 1 and 2 showing how the ECF statements are sequenced for the induction period.
Quality assurance of school's ECT programme to	N/A - Fidelity check to ECF	N/A - Fidelity check to ECF	Checks during 2-year	Checks during 2-year
ensure entitlement of ECT to	is already secured with	is already secured with	programme to ensure:	programme to ensure:
have ECF programme	Lead Provider and QA of their programme	Lead Provider and QA of their programme	-ECTs receive a programme of support and training based on the ECF induction programme the induction's design covers the evidence-based statements in the ECF -ECTs have received planned elements of the induction checks to ensure the CIP based materials and sessions are in line with the statutory guidance for induction and meet the ECF standards. -Additional observation(s)/quality assurance of ECF core induction programme throughout the two years.	-ECTs receive a programme of support and training based on the ECF induction programme the induction's design covers the evidence-based statements in the ECF -ECTs have received planned elements of the induction checks to ensure the school's own materials and sessions are in line with the statutory guidance for induction and meet the ECF standards. -Increased additional observation(s)/quality assurance of ECF core induction programme throughout the two years [ABs are expected to



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				check in greater level where schools have opted to design their own school-based programme due to the greater risk that a school-based induction could diverge from the ECF when DfE accredited materials are not used as the basis for an induction programme. 'DfE April 2021']			
Quality assurance of	×	×	✓	· √ ·			
mentoring provision for the ECT	N/A as covered by full induction provider	N/A as covered by full induction provider	QA required by AB to ensure ECTs' entitlement to ECF and DfE programme for ECTs.	QA required by AB to ensure ECTs' entitlement to ECF and DfE programme for ECTs.			
Cost	£135 per year, per ECT	£150 per year, per ECT	£150 per year, per ECT plus £400 per year, per school	£150 per year, per ECT plus £850 per year, per school			
Discounts available for ECTs only	10% discount offered for 3 or more ECTs in the same school	10% discount offered for 3 or more ECTs in the same school	10% discount offered for 3 or more ECTs in the same school	10% discount offered for 3 or more ECTs in the same school			
Additional Quality Assurance of ECT judgements by moderating observation – Optional cost of £100 per observation are available upon request							