

PRIMARY

**Best provider
of postgraduate
teacher training in
the country
(GTTG, 2015)**

Prospectus

Primary with a Physical Education Specialism

Welcome to the

NORTH EAST PARTNERSHIP SCITT

The North East Partnership SCITT is a specialist physical education initial teacher training provider offering both primary and secondary postgraduate teacher training courses.

We are the largest physical education provider in the north east of England and one of the largest in the country. Our last three Ofsted judgements have been outstanding and in 2013 we were graded outstanding in every category. We are consistently ranked in the top ten in the Good Teacher Training Guide and in 2013 were identified as the top secondary SCITT in the country and in 2015 as the best provider in the country.

In 2016, the North East Partnership SCITT became the accredited provider for a small number of primary with a physical education specialism school direct places. Trainees are trained to teach high quality physical education alongside all other areas of the primary curriculum across key stages one and two. On completion of the course they will be qualified primary teachers with a physical education specialism. They will be able to lead

high quality physical education and sport provision within primary schools, support other primary teachers to develop their skills in delivering physical education and sport and lead regional sports initiatives to improve primary physical education and sport.

John Spence Community High School is the Lead School and works with the North East Partnership SCITT and twenty one local schools to offer this innovative course which lasts for forty weeks from September to June. In addition, there is a compulsory two week summer school at the end of August and trainees will support end of year activities in their placement schools during the month of July.

In all six years of the programme running, 100% of trainees have been graded as outstanding or good and between 90% and 100% have secured employment in schools each year. A significant number of our first cohort have already been promoted and are leading physical education in their schools.



Monday 15th March 2016
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"Where were you at the time of the incident?" questioned the officer "Around half past eight. I was having some supper" the man said nervously

OUR VISION FOR EXCELLENCE

The North East Partnership SCITT will create the next generation of outstanding teachers who can inspire and motivate young people to foster a love of learning and use physical education and sport to help achieve their full potential – in sport and in life. Highly effective partnerships and innovative teaching and learning are at the heart of all we do.



WHY TRAIN WITH US

If you want to be a primary teacher with a physical education specialism, train with the North East Partnership SCITT through John Spence Community High School.

- We have consistently been graded as outstanding by Ofsted.
- We are consistently identified as one of the top 10 providers in the country in the Good Teacher Training Guide and in 2015 were identified as the best in the country.
- We are the only provider of this unique course in the north east of England and one of only a few in the country.
- The current political agenda advocates the development of physical education and sport in primary schools and provides funding to schools to develop this area. Research indicates that there is a need for physical education specialists in primary schools.
- Our trainee outcomes are exceptionally high. In all six years of the programme running, all trainees have completed the course as good or outstanding trainee teachers and between 90% and 100% have found employment in schools each year.
- Training is completely school-led. We work with twenty one schools in the north east and a significant number support the programme delivery.
- We have exceptionally strong support mechanisms. You will have a physical education mentor, a class teacher and a link tutor. In addition, a cohort of twelve to fourteen means that you are never working in isolation. In 2019 we appointed a Mental Health and Well-Being Lead.
- You will exit with QTS and a PGCE which includes 60 Masters Credits.

WHAT OUR TRAINEES SAY

"The support that I received from the North East Partnership SCITT during my year of teacher training was incredible. I completed the year feeling confident and prepared for my career as a teacher. I really can't imagine training with any other provider." **(Courtney Tyers)**

"My experience of the North East Partnership SCITT has allowed me to develop into the confident practitioner that I am today. The course is run exceptionally well and the support systems cannot be competed with. The tutors generally had my best interests at heart, and I received a hands on experience with a range of schools which I believe has shaped me into a well rounded teacher and given me the skills required for my NQT year. The course provided me with constant, high-quality CPD, which made me more employable and helped me to secure a job early in March. I can't recommend the course highly enough; the support system is truly amazing and the tutors genuinely want you to succeed!" **(Danny Driver)**

"NEP SCITT gave me the opportunity to develop my teaching skills and provided me with opportunities in a variety of different schools. This allowed me to enhance my subject knowledge and increase my confidence. During my time on the course the support I received was outstanding! The staff on the course always put

me first and were available to provide help and support when necessary." **(Mason Storey)**

"The North East Partnership SCITT has given me the opportunity to become an outstanding teacher. I had a fantastic experience throughout both of my placements, with the help of incredibly supportive staff. I really couldn't recommend the course enough!" **(Jessica Ross)**

"The NEP SCITT has prepared me exceptionally well for school life. The high standards helped me to reach a level of teaching I didn't think I could do, and in turn helped me to get a job at my host school. The extra CPD and courses provided give you an edge over any other SCITT courses. I would highly recommend NEP SCITT to anyone wanting to pursue a career in teaching." **(Jennifer Gladstone)**

"I would highly recommend the North East Partnership SCITT to anyone who is wanting to pursue a career in teaching. The course provides you with all of the necessary skills to become a confident teacher. The support you receive from the beginning to the end of this course is exceptional! All of the dedicated staff have personal experience in teaching so can offer outstanding practical support. I can't imagine training with any other provider." **(Holly Peacock)**



COURSE OUTLINE



The course consists of four inter-related modules:

Professional Placements

We work with twenty one schools across Tyne and Wear, Durham, Northumberland and Teesside.

You will gain teaching experience in two contrasting schools; a Host School and a Partner School. You will spend the majority of the year in your Host School teaching key stage two and a six week block in your Partner School teaching key stage one.

Your Host School placement starts immediately in September with two serial days each week followed by an observation and planning period then a six week block between November and December. You will return after Easter for a further six weeks. Your Partner School placement starts in January with two serial days each week followed by an observation and planning period, then a six week block between February and Easter.

During the year you will progress from observation to collaboration to independence, and from a 60% to a 70% timetable. Your timetable will be split between physical education, the core subjects and the foundation subjects.

Placements are organised with as much sensitivity to your personal circumstances as possible using a range of criteria, including; experience across the four to eleven age range, experience gained prior to starting the course, specialisms that schools can offer to develop any subject knowledge gaps and the location of the schools in relation to where you live.

In addition, you will visit two other schools to gain experience of working with children who have special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), and English as an additional language (EAL), plus work in an EYFS setting and a secondary school.

Curriculum Studies

In this module you will develop your subject specific knowledge in physical education, the core subjects and the foundation subjects. These sessions are delivered by outstanding practitioners from partnership schools alongside North Tyneside Local Authority, North Tyneside Maths Hub, the Primary Lead and a Primary Physical Education Consultant.

Professional Studies

In this module you will develop your knowledge of education through a programme of conference days focusing on topics that are at the forefront of policy and practice. These include safeguarding and child protection, pastoral care, working with parents, behaviour management, memory, teaching and learning, assessment, inclusion, pupil premium, equality and diversity, and English and maths across the curriculum. Time is also allocated to preparing for employment. These sessions are delivered by middle and senior leaders in partnership schools.

Enquiry Into Education

For this module you will carry out a small scale action research project during your final placement. You will agree a focus with school staff and your assignment tutor based on an area of interest, a development need in your placement school or current research in primary education. In addition you will also complete two formal academic assignments focused around key areas of education.

Placement performance is assessed against your mastery of the ITT curriculum and the Teachers' Standards for the award of QTS. Two coursework assignments plus your action research project provide further evidence of suitability to enter the teaching profession; two modules are assessed at Masters Level and if successfully completed count as sixty credits. Successful trainees exit the course with QTS plus a PGCE from Northumbria University.



PARTNERSHIP SCHOOLS

Durham

- Howden le Wear Primary School
- Peases West Primary School

Gateshead

- Brandling Primary School
- Crookhill Primary School

Northumberland

- Stobhillgate First School

North Tyneside

- Amberley Primary School
- Benton Dene Primary School
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- Christ Church, Church of England Primary School
- Cullercoats Primary School
- Hadrian Park Primary School
- Hazlewood Community Primary School
- Holystone Primary School
- John Spence Community High School
- New York Primary School
- Preston Grange Primary School
- Shiremoor Primary School
- Southridge First School
- St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School

South Tyneside

- St Aloysius Roman Catholic Junior School
- St Bede's Catholic Primary School

Teesside

- Fairfield Primary School

OUR BASE

Our office base is at John Spence Community High School in North Shields and we have a training room at Cullercoats Primary School; however as a significant number of the partnership schools deliver the core training you will rotate around these schools for some of your training. By the end of the year it is likely that you will have spent time in approximately ten different schools, something which makes us unique and which our trainees say is really beneficial.



OUR TEAM



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PRIMARY LINK TUTOR
PE LEAD



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PRIMARY LINK TUTOR

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We are looking for individuals who are well qualified with relevant and up-to-date experience and who have interests and talents that would enhance children's learning experiences. You should be enthusiastic, hardworking, resilient, happy to 'think outside the box' and have well developed organisation and communication skills. You will need to be able to use your initiative, manage workload and work co-operatively and effectively with others. You must be passionate about a career in teaching and enjoy working with young people, building warm relationships that promote learning.

You should possess the following:

- GCSE grade 4 (C) or equivalent in English, mathematics and science (preferably combined science)
- A 2.1 honours degree in a relevant subject area (in exceptional circumstances we will consider 2.2 degrees)
- A broad and balanced PE, sport or dance background
- The ability to swim 200 metres continuously using two different strokes
- Work experience in a primary school is desirable but not essential
- Competence in ICT
- Have met the government's requirement in terms of health and physical capacity to train to teach and have enhanced DBS clearance

To apply to this Primary with a Physical Education Specialism course, applicants must use the DfE ITT application system. Applications can be submitted from October for a September entry the following academic year. As demand for places is very high, interested applicants are advised to apply early. For the 2022/23 academic year, we hope to recruit fourteen primary trainees.

DfE Course Code: 25W 2Q9L



FEES

Tuition fees are £9,250 and you can choose to pay these as a one-off payment or to take out a tuition fee loan from Student Finance England. For more information on tuition fee loans, maintenance loans and grants, please visit: [Gov. UK](http://Gov.UK) and Student Loans Company. Information about bursaries can be found on the Department for Education website.

You will be provided with an iPad and keyboard for the duration of the course.

We can also recommend you for paid holiday work at local sports camps.





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