

Membership update

Data on current membership across Redbridge and Waltham Forest schools registered for our UCL programme:

Primary: 28 schools, 63 ECTs and 59 Mentors
Secondary: 5 schools, 25 ECTs and 25 Mentors

We are pleased we have maintained our membership levels compared to last year and thank all of our schools for their continued loyalty, it is greatly appreciated. ECT recruitment was expected to drop with falling school rolls and budget challenges, we are pleased to buck the trend felt in most areas.

Non-standard ECTs – we are supporting 12 non-standard ECTs, 8 are in the Y2 programme and 4 are within the Y1 programme. They all have unique end points to their Induction periods and agreements have been communicated to their schools and Appropriate Bodies.

ECT and Mentor Progress

Late starters: There were a number of late school appointments in September who missed our planned Induction conferences. Alternative events were delivered to all in October and we are pleased that all new ECTs and Mentors have attended their welcome meetings or watched the catch-up materials.

Module evaluations: Both cohorts of ECTs and Mentors completed their first Module evaluations of the year and returned them by the October half term. We have analysed the responses and compared them to our own data from last year and the UCL's comparative numbers from all Delivery Partners around the country. The feedback is very positive; we thank everyone for their support. In most categories we have improved our performance from last year, especially in the mentor cohorts, and in most responses we either match or outperform the UCL average. These are very pleasing to note, our thanks to our wonderful team of Facilitators who work hard to meet the needs of their cohorts.

Cohort 4: Attendance and engagement by Year Two ECTs has been very good. The cohort have just started Module 8 – "Evaluative Inquiry". The deadline for both ECTs and Mentors to evaluate Module 7 is 7th January.

Cohort 5: Attendance and engagement for the new cohort have both been good so far. The Year One cohorts have just started Module 3 – "Engaging pupils in learning".



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Induction Tutors

We shared a REP specific Newsletter with all Induction Tutors last month. If you did not receive it, please contact our office, we will be happy to re-send this to you. Contents included reminders and news updates.

Induction Tutors are also reminded to get in touch if you are employing a new ECT for January. Guides on the process can be found on the REP website:

<https://www.redbridgeeducationpartnership.co.uk/early-career-teacher-entitlement/>



UCL ECTE materials

The DfE are nearly ready to sign off the UCL's new Year two materials. These will be ready to use with Cohort 5: Year two in September 2026.



The REP website

The new layout and contents can now be seen on our updated website:

<https://www.redbridgeeducationpartnership.co.uk/>



Recommended staffroom podcast

Season 6 | Episode 2. Learning teaching - why mindset matters and what this means for mentors.

Tessa Blair tells us how mentors can support the development of positive orientations to learning.

<https://extend.ucl.ac.uk/mod/page/view.php?id=143524>