



**London District East  
Teaching School Hub**

*For all schools in Barking & Dagenham, Havering and Newham*



**Ambition  
Institute**

## **PRESS RELEASE:**

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### ***London District East Teaching School Hub announces new teacher training partnership***

Trainee teachers across Barking and Dagenham, Havering and Newham are to benefit from a brand new training programme, drawing on the latest evidence of what makes teaching effective in raising pupil achievement.

London District East Teaching School Hub is responsible for the training and development of teachers in 238 primary and secondary schools across the region. It has already trained over 150 new teachers through its School Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) centre, which was rated Outstanding by Ofsted in 2017.

To build on this success, the hub, based at The Boleyn Trust in Newham, will now partner with national education charity Ambition Institute to train new teachers across the boroughs. Ambition Institute's new teacher training programme extends their provision of high-quality professional development for existing teachers and school leaders, which is reaching more than 45,000 educators this year.

Craig Lilleyman, Director of London District East Teaching School Hub, said: "We have been recruiting and training teachers in primary and secondary schools for over 10 years, many of whom are now senior leaders in our Trust schools and schools across East London.

We're now partnering with Ambition so that new teachers across the boroughs get a great start to their career – with training that is world class. Recruiting and keeping teachers in schools is more challenging than ever and we want to provide outstanding training that prepares our trainee teachers for a long and sustainable career in teaching. We are excited by the innovative training programme that Ambition is developing and cannot wait to start recruiting trainees in October 2023 for a September 2024 start.”

Evidence shows that high quality professional development for teachers has a significant effect on pupils' learning outcomes<sup>1</sup>. However, 1 in 3 teachers leave the classroom in their first five years<sup>2</sup>. To address this, the Department for Education has overhauled its training provision for teachers, introducing a new teacher training framework in 2019, a two-year induction for teachers early in their careers, and increasing investment in career-long professional development.

*Hilary Spencer, Chief Executive Officer at Ambition Institute, said: “A great teacher changes the future every day. Especially for children who have had a tough start in life, a teacher can be the critical factor in their success. That is why we believe every teacher should have access to high quality professional development from the very outset of their career. London District East Teaching School Hub does fantastic work with schools across East London, and we're looking forward to building on our partnership so that every teacher in the region can get high quality support.”*

People interested in starting a teaching career with London District East Teaching School Hub and Ambition Institute or local schools who want to train teachers through this programme should contact: [craig.lilleyman@londondistricteast.org](mailto:craig.lilleyman@londondistricteast.org)