



TRAIN TO TEACH

**INSPIRE A GENERATION
WITH TEACH HEART
ALLIANCE**

WELCOME...

Welcome to the **Teach Heart Alliance** in association with the **University of Cumbria**. This booklet provides an overview of our programme - further details can be found on our website: www.sacred-heart.bolton.sch.uk

If you want your training to be based at a school where you can be fully immersed in the life of a teacher from day one, a school-led training course is for you. We have training options for both graduates and career changers who want hands-on training in a school.

Join our one year programme, during which you will gain the skills to become a knowledgeable, creative and effective teacher, ready to embark on a rewarding career.

After successfully completing your training, you will be awarded a PGCE with QTS and the possibility of taking up a teaching post within our alliance of schools.

WHAT IS SCHOOL LED TRAINING?

School Led Teacher Training is an innovative new way of training teachers which has been designed to enable schools to take a leading role in Initial Teacher Training whilst working in partnership with accredited ITT providers. It is a one year full time route into teaching, leading to Qualified Teacher Status. A postgraduate certificate in education (PGCE) and master's level credits are included.

You will be selected by Teach Heart Alliance and the University of Cumbria and will train on the job at Sacred Heart RC Primary School or one of our partner primary schools. You will train in the classroom supported by qualified teachers and mentors and will work as part of the teaching team from day one - immediately putting your new skills into practice.



A GOOD TEACHER IS...

AMBITIOUS

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CUMBRIA AND TEACH HEART ALLIANCE

The University of Cumbria is one of the country's leading and biggest providers of teacher education and School Direct partnerships, currently working with 27 school partnerships nationwide, providing hundreds of teacher training places in primary and secondary schools.

The success of this PGCE course is underpinned by both an academic teaching philosophy and the practical skills of real school-based learning. This learning process allows you to develop your teaching skills and reflect on the impact you make on pupils, the school and the community.

Your training will be delivered by both University of Cumbria tutors and experienced teachers from **Teach Heart Alliance**, a School Direct Alliance. With the practitioner and academic expertise of the university and school staff at your disposal, you can become an outstanding, critically reflective teacher.

Teach Heart Alliance offers the PGCE General Primary 5-11yrs:

- **Entry Requirements:** A degree awarded by a British University. Full details are available on the University website for each programme.
- **Five GCSE's at minimum grade C or above:** to include English Language, Mathematics and Science (including Biology, Chemistry or Physics).

Visit www.sacred-heart.bolton.sch.uk/school-direct for more information.



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A academic (University)
reference or a professional
reference if more than three
years since academic study.



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Successful interview.

THE ROAD TO
YOUR **DREAM CAREER**

WHY CHOOSE OUR PROGRAMME?

We have a track record of training, nurturing and supporting new teachers. You will receive excellent academic support from the University of Cumbria and outstanding school-based support within the Alliance.

Our training is led by experienced, knowledgeable practitioners, both from Alliance schools and the University of Cumbria.

Tutors within our placement schools undertake high quality training with the University of Cumbria.

You will...

- Spend more time in school than trainees on a 'traditional' PGCE.
- Be training alongside outstanding teachers and lead professionals.
- Receive excellent professional development within our partnership.
- Gain a PGCE with Masters Accreditation through the University of Cumbria.
- Be supported in seeking employment on successful completion of training.

“The support from all staff has been outstanding. I felt well supported throughout my training.

Victoria - Heart Alliance Beginning Teacher

MEET OUR TRAINEES



“I’m very passionate about helping children to develop and progress especially in early reading - I don’t think there’s a greater way to help a child” - Danielle



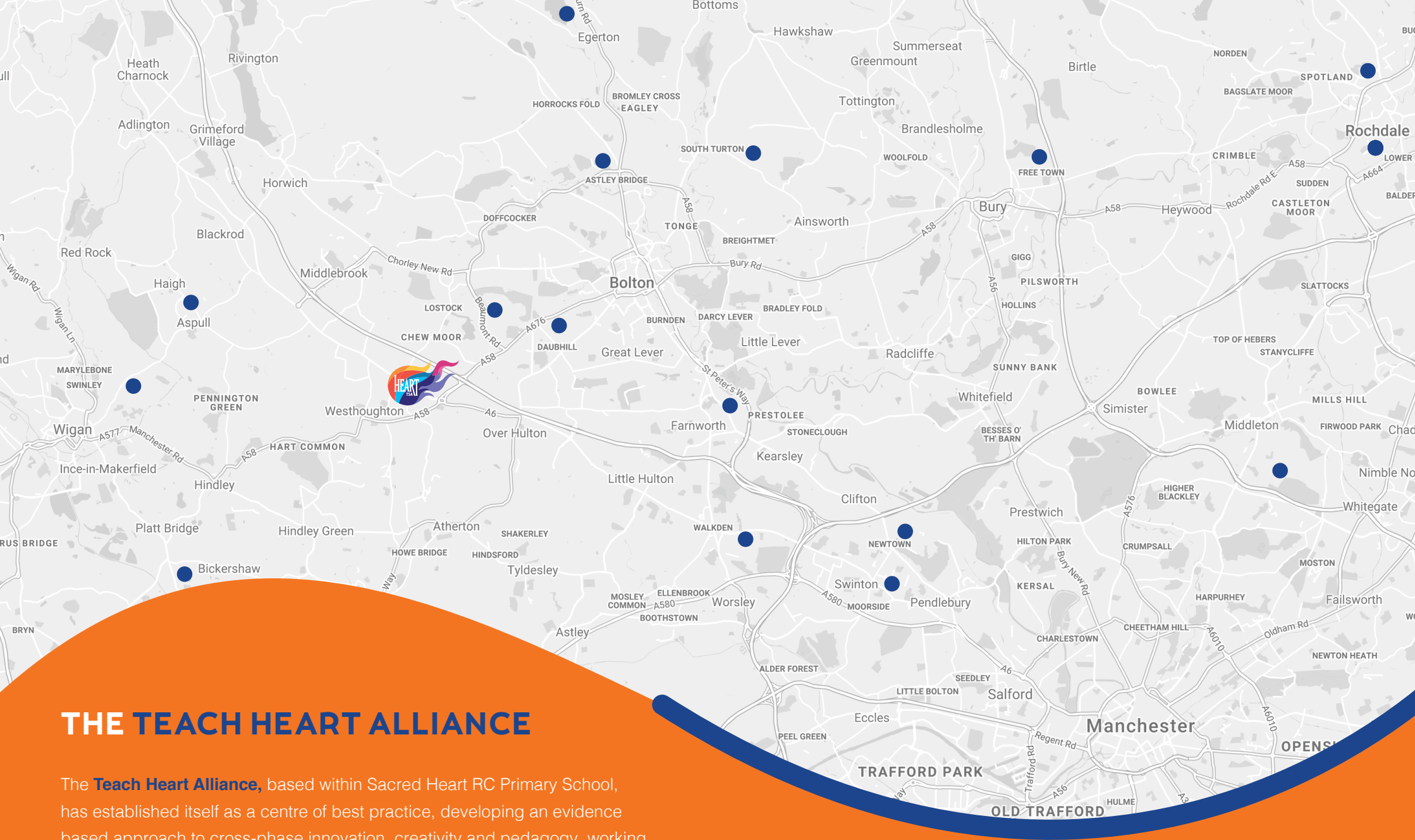
“Being constantly in a school environment was a key attraction for me - you can gain valuable school experience every day with this route” - Lewis



**“I have always wanted to teach - Having a little home from home classroom and shaping little lives and futures really inspires me”
- Steph**



“I want to make a difference. For a long time I knew I wasn’t doing what I was meant to be doing and I kept thinking about teaching but kept thinking I wouldn’t be good enough and it was a big career change. I finally found the courage to go for it!” - Rachel



THE TEACH HEART ALLIANCE

The **Teach Heart Alliance**, based within Sacred Heart RC Primary School, has established itself as a centre of best practice, developing an evidence based approach to cross-phase innovation, creativity and pedagogy, working with a variety of schools and partners, including the Diocese of Salford, OLP, University of Cumbria, Comino Network, SEERIH, and EducareM to ensure that we live up to aspiration to '**inspire a generation...**'.



FINANCING YOUR TEACHER TRAINING COURSE

Our course fees for 2022-23 are set at £9250 per annum

Overview of finance options:

- A Tuition Fee Loan is available to cover course costs – if you take one out, you don't have to pay your course costs upfront
- A Maintenance Loan is available to help with living costs
- It doesn't matter if you already have a student loan – you can still apply for both these loans to support your teacher training even if you have already accessed 4 years of funding

- You will only start making repayments when you earn over the threshold
- If you have a student loan already, taking out a further loan for your teacher training will not see your monthly repayments increase

Tuition Fee Loan

When you start your teacher training, you won't have to pay the cost of tuition fees up front. You can apply for a Tuition Fee Loan to cover the full cost of your course, which is paid directly to your training provider from Student Finance England. Tuition Fee Loans aren't means tested, so regardless of your household income you should be able to claim the full amount for your course fees.

Maintenance Loan (up to £11,672 for living costs)

All eligible trainees will qualify for at least the minimum loan amount for their living costs, regardless of household income. If you're on a full-time teacher training course outside of London it will be £4,168 or £3,314 if you're living at home.

Additional Funding

You may also be entitled to additional financial support if you are a parent, have a disability or have an adult dependant. This support does not have to be repaid. You could receive:

- 85% of childcare costs of up to £169.31 a week (1 child) or up to £290.27 a week (2 or more children) Childcare Grant
- up to £1,716 per year Parents' Learning Allowance
- Child Tax Credits
- Disabled Students' Allowance
- up to £3,007 per year Adult Dependents' Grant

You can use the online student finance calculator to estimate Tuition Fee and Maintenance Loans and extra funding that may be available.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications can be made through the Apply for Teacher Training service on GOV.UK at www.gov.uk/apply-for-teacher-training

The application will ask you for:

1. Personal details

The form will ask for a number of basic personal details such as name, date of birth, address, email, nationality and any disabilities.

2. Choices

You can apply to up to three teacher training course providers. For each provider you'll need:

Training provider code (**Teach Heart Alliance is 1D8**)

Training programme code (**Teach Heart Alliance is 2C23**)

3. Education

You'll have the opportunity to add the schools, colleges and universities you attended and any qualifications gained – they'll be split into four parts;

- Schools/colleges/universities attended
- Confirmation of your GCSE qualifications
- A level results
- Degree type and qualifications and credits from your degree

When completing your application, you'll need to have your certificates – or details of your certificates - with you, as you'll need to know pass dates and examining boards where appropriate. If you're unable to identify your examining board, you could select 'other' until you have the relevant paperwork. If all or part of your qualifications were gained abroad, you might

need a NARIC check to determine equivalency to the UK standard. If you're yet to retake a GCSE, there's a 'pending' option, or a check box if your provider accepts equivalency tests.

4. School and work experience

Here, you'll need to provide details of your school experience and work history, including dates, any periods spent abroad and your current occupation. This can include work placements and observations, as well as paid and unpaid work. The word count is limited to 500 characters per experience, so it might be helpful to opt for bullet points focusing on your main skills, tasks and responsibilities.



5. Personal statement

This is your chance to ensure your application stands out. The word count is tight; you'll have 4,000 characters over 47 lines, so ensure you show off your knowledge and skills in relation to teaching.

6. References

You'll need to provide two references. This can only be done once all the sections above are completed. A handy tip is to let them know in advance they've been chosen, as you can't submit your application for consideration until you receive both references.

CHECK OUR REQUIREMENTS

First check that you meet the course requirements for teacher training, which state that you need to have:



A UK Bachelor's degree qualification or a recognised equivalent qualification.



3 GCSE grades A-C (Grade 4 or above) in English Language, Mathematics and Science (or equivalent).



APPLY NOW...

Teach Heart Alliance Training Provider Code: 1D8

Teach Heart Alliance Training Programme Code: 2C23

Email **Teach Heart Alliance** for more information or to book school experience days and information events: teachingschool@sacred-heart.bolton.sch.uk.

Applications to start the course in **September 2022** will be open in **October 2021**.



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