

Regional Update: February 2020 - 2nd edition (#7 2019/20)

Introduction

Welcome to the seventh Lancashire and West Yorkshire TSC news update for 2019/20. Our aim is to connect to all system leaders and TSAs across our region; to share, promote and progress school improvement in all its possible forms.

Previous newsletters, attachments and other resources can be accessed at lwyts.org.

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HEADLINE NEWS

System Leadership Reforms

NLEs and Teaching School leaders should have received a '[System Leadership Reforms' letter](#) from the DfE, from the system leader email on the afternoon of 25th February.

This announced the beginning of the first stage of communication ahead of the development of the national roll-out of Teaching School Hubs and the recommendations from the NLE reform group review.

It confirmed that the funding rates for Teaching Schools applying in the current academic year will also apply for the whole of the academic year 2020/21. It anticipates, however, that this will be the final year of funding for Teaching Schools, and that existing Teaching School designations will end in August 2021.

The Department's [review report on NLEs](#) was commissioned from an external review panel last year. The new [NLE Standards](#) set out the department's expectations of designated NLEs, and covers the requisite knowledge, experience and attributes of those supporting under-performing schools to improve. The accompanying research commentary includes references to published literature relating to school leadership and school-to-school support and does not include any new research.

The letter also announced a review of the existing National Leaders of Governance (NLG) programme, to ensure that it is as effective and impactful as possible. An expert group has been appointed to provide advice to the department and anticipate publishing their recommendations this summer.

The TSC will be offering support and advice to Teaching Schools following the announcement of the planned roll-out of Teaching School Hubs; we await a firm timetable and further information re. designation processes.

If you have any questions about this letter, please email system.leaders@education.gov.uk.

National Leaders of Education (NLE) advisory group

Recommendations on NLE reform

National Leaders of Education (NLE) Standards

With research commentary

Awareness Raising - Launch of the Behaviour Hubs

The recently announced Behaviour Hubs will enable schools and multi-academy trusts (MATs) with exemplary behaviour cultures and practices to work in partnership with those that want to improve their behaviour culture. Schools will form hubs to learn from each other, sharing good practice and equipping other heads and senior leaders with the skills to improve their approach. Find out more [here](#). [Guidance for schools and MATs wishing to apply](#). [Link to online application](#).

Sub-Regional Communication

A reminder of your sub-regional contact points. Future meetings, local communication and networks will follow shortly.

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