

Earlier support,
better outcomes

Stronger engagement
with families

Practical support for
complete pupil needs

Pastoral Support Practitioner Level 4 Apprenticeship

Strengthen attendance, behaviour and pupil wellbeing through early intervention and support.



"This programme has strengthened how we support pupils and families across the school. We are identifying needs earlier and responding more consistently."

- School Leader

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Introduction

The Pastoral Support Practitioner Level 4 Apprenticeship is a development programme for school staff who support pupils facing barriers to attendance, behaviour, wellbeing and inclusion.

The programme focuses on early intervention, helping staff identify needs sooner, build strong relationships with pupils and families and coordinate effective support before issues escalate.

It is designed specifically for schools and trusts, strengthening safeguarding, family engagement and pastoral systems to improve outcomes for vulnerable pupils.

Who should apply?

This apprenticeship is suitable for staff working directly with pupils and families to address barriers to learning and engagement.

Example roles include:

- Pastoral Leads
- Attendance Officers or Leads
- Behaviour Support Leads
- Inclusion Officers
- Family Support Workers
- Heads of Year or Pastoral Managers
- Pupil Welfare Officers
- Safeguarding or Pastoral Support Staff

Programme content

- ✓ **Module 1:** Professional Practice, Ethics & Organisational Culture
- ✓ **Module 2:** Law, Recording & Information Governance
- ✓ **Module 3:** Safeguarding, Risk & Safe Practice
- ✓ **Module 4:** Reflective Practice, Wellbeing & Professional Development
- ✓ **Module 5:** Understanding Children, Families & Context
- ✓ **Module 6:** Assessment & Professional Judgement
- ✓ **Module 7:** Planning & Evidence-Informed Intervention
- ✓ **Module 8:** Communication, Information, Advice & Digital Practice
- ✓ **Module 9:** Multi-Agency Working & Collaboration
- ✓ **Module 10:** Managing Conflict & Complexity
- ✓ **Module 11:** Caseload Management & Professional Accountability
- ✓ **Module 12/13:** Revision & Consolidation
- ✓ **Module 14:** Gateway & EPA Preparation

Programme structure





"I am very grateful to my Course Tutor for their advice and support throughout the course."

- Apprenticeship Graduate

Pastoral Support Practitioner Level 4 Apprenticeship

A fully funded apprenticeship that prepares school staff to deliver effective pastoral support and early intervention across their setting.

The programme supports progression into roles such as Pastoral Lead, Attendance Lead, Inclusion Lead and Family Support Lead.

Benefits

- ✓ Identify needs early and prevent issues from escalating
- ✓ Improve attendance, behaviour and pupil engagement
- ✓ Build stronger relationships with parents and carers
- ✓ Strengthen safeguarding practice and confidence
- ✓ Coordinate support effectively with external services
- ✓ Manage complex pupil cases with greater confidence
- ✓ Deliver a workplace project that improves outcomes in school

Eligibility

To be eligible, participants must:

- Be employed in a school or trust setting
- Be working in a role supporting pupils and families
- Be able to complete a workplace project
- Have the right to work and study in England

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Course duration

14 months + Assessment



This course awards

Early Intervention Practitioner (Level 4)



Access to

Cross-school and sector expertise



Apprenticeship Levy Funding

Fully-funded through the Growth and Skills Levy

~~£5,000~~

£0 with Growth and Skills Levy funding



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Strengthen pastoral support across your school

Equip your staff with the skills to identify needs early, support pupils effectively and build stronger relationships with families.



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