



Earlier support,  
better outcomes

Stronger engagement  
with families

Practical support for  
complete pupil needs

# Pastoral Support Practitioner Level 4 Apprenticeship

Strengthen attendance, behaviour and inclusion through  
earlier 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:** Foundations of Pastoral Support and Early Intervention
- ✓ **Module 2:** Identifying Needs and Assessing Risk
- ✓ **Module 3:** Attendance, Behaviour and Wellbeing
- ✓ **Module 4:** Family Engagement and Communication
- ✓ **Module 5:** Safeguarding and Multi Agency Working
- ✓ **Module 6:** Intervention Planning and Case Management
- ✓ **Module 7:** Supporting Vulnerable Pupils and SEND
- ✓ **Module 8:** Professional Practice and Impact
- ✓ Final Integrated workplace project and assessment

## 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

## AT A GLANCE



**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 Apprenticeship Levy

~~£5,000~~

£0 with Apprenticeship Levy funding

## 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.



Learn more and register at  
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