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Healthy, Happy, Active Young People

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NEW

Specialist Teaching Assistant

LEVEL 5 – APPRENTICESHIP



In partnership with:



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Education Group

About our new apprenticeship

The Specialist Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship Level 5 is a 24-month apprenticeship that prepares individuals to support learners across various educational settings, including primary, secondary, special schools, and further education institutions.

Specialist teaching assistants work with students of all ages, focusing on either Special Educational Needs (SEND), Social and Emotional Well-being, or Physical Education (PE). The role involves planning, implementing, and adapting learning activities while drawing on research and reflective practice.

Specialist teaching assistants build relationships with learners, families, and professionals, contributing to the development of inclusive, supportive learning environments. They are responsible for supporting both individual and group learning, ensuring student safety, and assisting with assessment and evaluation processes. Additionally, they may train and support colleagues in their specialist area.

Read on to discover how we can support schools to train and recruit the next generation of specialist teaching specialists.

Typical job titles include

Academic mentor

Specialist learning support

Social and emotional well-being teaching assistant

Learning mentor

Specialist learning assistant

PE teaching assistant

SEND teaching assistant



Specialist Options

Social and Emotional Well-being

This option empowers apprentices to enhance learners' self-awareness, emotional understanding, and empathy, improving behaviour and attendance, distinct from the SEND option focused on Social, Emotional, and Mental Health (SEMH) needs.

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

This option equipping colleagues with specialist expertise to support children and young people with SEND, it enables them to thrive and highlights the critical role of support staff in assisting vulnerable learners.

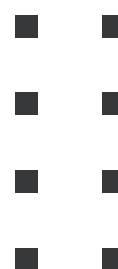
Curriculum Provision Specialist – PE

This specialist option develops apprentices' expertise in delivering engaging, inclusive physical education, promoting children's health, well-being, and a lifelong love of movement and sport.



Entry requirements

- Minimum Grade 4 (C) or above at GCSE in English and Maths or equivalent.
- 12 months' experience working in a school environment.



Benefits of the programme



Develop Your Team's Potential

Invest in your existing staff and help them thrive.



Advance Career Opportunities

Empower staff with a clear pathway for professional growth.



Tailored Training for Diverse Roles

Gain specialist skills across key areas to meet your school's needs.



Ongoing Support for Teaching and Learning

Apprentices actively contribute to the classroom while training.

AT A GLANCE



**Funded by the
Apprenticeship Levy**



This Course Awards
Specialist Teaching Assistant



Blended Training
4 days at school and
1 day of training a week



Course Duration
24 months*

Our apprenticeships

Your apprentice can continue in your organisation with inspire+’s support in the following ways:



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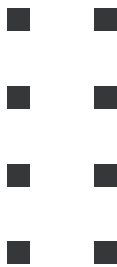
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inspire+ works closely with schools and other organisations to support teaching assistant training.



Our education team can answer any questions, support you in accessing funding, and actively assist you in recruiting teaching assistants.

If you want to fill a vacancy and would like us to present you with candidates in your area, please get in touch with us.

Our recruitment team will collect applications for your vacancy. Candidates will be invited to a screening interview with us to determine their suitability for the role and to be placed on the programme. We will then help you arrange an interview with them so you can have the final word.

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