

Qualification title:	OCR Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF)		
Qualification number:	501/0432/9	Credit value:	30
An overview of this qualification	<p>This qualification is for those members of the school workforce who directly support the teaching and learning of pupils. The qualification incorporates the units in the Level 2 Award in Support Work in Schools and adds competency based units to reflect the role of those supporting pupils' learning.</p> <p>There are nine mandatory units which enable you to gain a range of skills and knowledge as you work in your supporting teaching and learning role in schools. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child and young person development • Safeguarding the welfare of children and young people • Communication and professional relationships with children, young people and adults • Equality, diversity and inclusion in work with children and young people • Help improve own and team practice in schools • Maintain and support relationships with children and young people • Support children and young people's health and safety • Support children and young people's positive behaviour • Support learning activities <p>There are a range of optional units covering a variety of topics which you may select as appropriate to your role:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schools as organisations • Contribute to supporting bilingual learners • Invigilate tests and examinations • Prepare and maintain learning environments • Provide displays in schools • Support assessment for learning • Support children and young people at meal or snack times • Support children and young people with disabilities and special educational needs • Support children and young people's play and leisure • Support children and young people's travel outside of the setting • Support extra-curricular activities • Support the use of information and communication technology for teaching and learning • Move and position individuals in accordance to their plan of care • Provide support for therapy sessions <p>This qualification is competence-based. This means that it is linked to a person's ability to competently perform a range of tasks connected with their work and are assessed in the workplace.</p>		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum amount of vocational learning = 30 credits • Maximum amount of vocational learning = 30 credits
Entry requirements	<p>No previous experience or qualifications in this subject are required, although you can progress to this qualification from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ OCR Level 2 Award in Support Work in Schools (QCF) 501/0043/9. <p>You will need to be working in a school either as a volunteer or employee.</p>
Age restrictions	You must be a minimum of 16 years old
Is this qualification right for me?	<p>The OCR Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools is right for you if work or volunteer in a school carrying out a support role within the classroom i.e. a Teaching Assistant. You may be new to this role and the qualification will help you to understand your role and responsibilities within the school environment. You may already be in employment and want to increase your skills and knowledge without the additional requirements of the Apprenticeship Framework and therefore may choose to complete the qualification outside of the Apprenticeship framework.</p> <p>The OCR Level 3 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF) is part of a suite of qualifications in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (STLS) at Levels 2 & 3 and consists of units based on the national occupational standards developed by the Training and Development Agency (TDA), who were the recognised sector body responsible for the training and development of the school workforce.</p>
How could I progress from this qualification?	<p>The primary purpose of this qualification is to confirm that you are competent in a specific job role. This qualification will enable you to undertake a learning programme to confirm that you are competent in a role where you have responsibility in supporting the teacher in the classroom and wider school activities. It targets the key skills, knowledge and competence that employers would expect of someone working at this level as a support worker (Teaching Assistant) in a school.</p> <p>You could also choose to progress to other qualifications in the suite such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OCR Level 3 Award in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF) 501/0044/0 • OCR Level 3 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF) 501/0041/5 • OCR Level 3 Diploma in Specialist Support for Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF) 501/0857/8

Support	<p>This qualification is supported by the following employers:</p> <p>St.Mary's Church of England Primary School Britannia Bridge Primary Cheam Farm Park Infants School The Stephen Hawking School St.Botolphs Primary School The Castle School St Elizabeths School Warstones Primary School Springdale Infant School</p>
Further information	<p>To find out more about the OCR L2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF) please refer to the Centre Handbook available on the OCR website: http://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/81719-centre-handbook.pdf</p> <p>If you have any other queries please contact: vocational.qualifications@ocr.org.uk</p>
About us	<p>OCR is a leading UK awarding body. We provide qualifications which engage people of all ages and abilities at school, college, in work or through part-time learning programmes.</p> <p>Our general and vocational qualifications equip learners with the knowledge and skills they need for their future, helping them achieve their full potential.</p>