Edexcel Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF)

The Edexcel Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF) is a 30-credit, minimum 180 guided learning hour (GLH) qualification that consists of nine mandatory units plus optional units that provide for a combined total of 30 credits. Learners must complete all nine mandatory units to achieve 24 credits, plus 3 credits from Optional Group A and 3 credits from Optional Group B for a total of 30 credits. Learners must choose only one unit from Optional Group A.

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Unit	Mandatory units	Credit	Level
1	Child and Young Person Development	2	2
2	Communication and Professional Relationships with Children, Young People and Adults	2	2
3	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in Work with Children and Young People	2	2
4	Help Improve Own and Team Practice in Schools	3	2
5	Maintain and Support Relationships With Children and Young People	3	2
6	Safeguarding The Welfare of Children and Young People	3	2
7	Support Children and Young People's Health and Safety	3	2
8	Support Children and Young People's Positive Behaviour	2	2
9	Support Learning Activities	4	2
Unit	Optional units		
	Optional Group A: (Learners must choose only one unit from this group)		
10	Schools as Organisations	3	2
11	Schools as Organisations	3	3
	Optional Group B: (Learners must achieve 3 credits from this group)		
12	Contributing to Supporting Bilingual Learners	2	2
13	Invigilate Tests and Examinations	3	3
14	Move and Position Individuals In Accordance With Their Plan of Care	4	2
15	Prepare and Maintain Learning Environments	3	2
16	Provide Displays in Schools	3	2
17	Provide Support for Therapy Sessions	2	2
18	Support Assessment for Learning	4	3
19	Support Children and Young People at Meal or Snack Times	3	2

Unit	Optional units		
20	Support Children and Young People with Disabilities and Special Educational Needs	4	2
21	Support Children and Young People's Play and Leisure	3	2
22	Support Children and Young People's Travel Outside of the Setting	3	2
23	Support Extra-curricular Activities	3	2
24	Support the Use of Information and Communication Technology for Teaching and Learning	2	2

The Edexcel Level 2 BTEC Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF) is a combined knowledge and practice qualification for those support staff roles that directly support teaching and learning for example teaching assistants or learning support assistants.

It is designed to provide:

- education and training for those with a responsibility to support teaching and learning within educational settings
- opportunities for those supporting teaching and learning in schools to achieve a nationally-recognised Level 2 vocational qualification
- the knowledge, understanding and skills learners need to provide effective support for teaching and learning in educational settings
- opportunities for learners to develop a range of skills and techniques, personal qualities and attitudes essential for successful performance in working life.

The Certificate is made up of:

- the four mandatory units in the Edexcel Level 2 Award in Support Work in Schools
- five additional mandatory units and two groups of optional units
- Optional Group A comprising the two optional units from the Level 2 Award
- Optional Group B comprising a number of practice-based optional units designed to accommodate variations in roles within and across schools.