

Sixth Form Enrichment Programme

Enabling sixth formers to achieve their goals

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“Whilst helping others get their grades through the Team Up programme, I feel that as a sixth form volunteer, I have gained experience that will help me in higher education and my later career. I only hope more children will be able to receive the great support that Team Up facilitates: by students, for students.”

Ché Applewhite – previous sixth form tutor, now studying at Harvard University, USA

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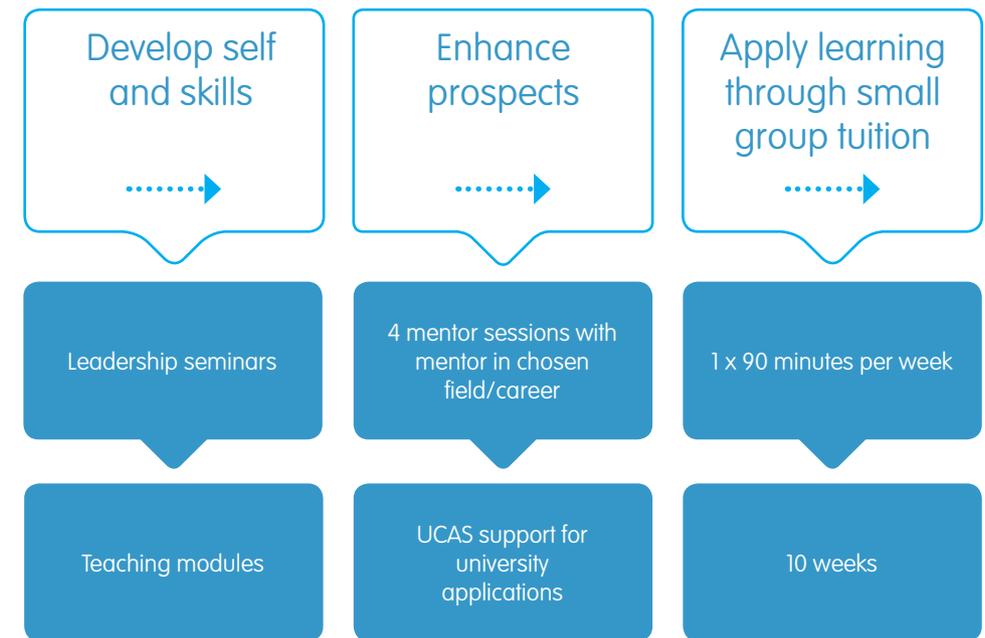
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The Team Up enrichment programme

Overview

Team Up run a voluntary leadership programme that trains exceptional role models to tutor young people from low income backgrounds. Through making this valuable contribution to the community, our role models build leadership and teaching skills as well as using our networks to strengthen their own future prospects.

Your students will:



The commitment

Participants will:

1. Complete the programme alongside their studies
2. Choose the location of their placement
3. Select their preferred placement stream:
 - a. Team Up programme: 1 term
 - b. Senior Tutor programme: 2 terms
 - c. Outstanding Tutor programme: 3 terms
4. Attend the compulsory aspects of the programme:
 - a. Induction and safeguarding training
 - b. Tuition sessions
5. Choose the optional aspects they would like to take part in based on what would benefit them most



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The Team Up curriculum

Over the programme, participants develop the following competencies vital to progression in higher education and working life:

	Modules	Competencies
Developing myself	Preparing	Prepare fully, providing a safe and appropriate environment for all
	Planning	Tailor work to the stakeholder
	Managing	Be organised, prepared, punctual and reliable
Working with others	Building relationships	Build relationships with others
	Communicating	Influence and support others to be committed to fulfilling their potential
Contributing to my community	Problem solving	Gather data, reflect on performance and solve problems
	Getting results	Set clear goals and use data to monitor, reflect on and improve outcomes

The support provided

Team Up is committed to giving sixth formers all the tools and support they need to thrive on our programme. This includes the following:

- Full induction, safeguarding training, and the provision of detailed lesson plans and resources
- Ongoing coaching, training and support from an experienced teacher who will be assigned to support them over the course of the programme
- Lesson observations alongside personalised developmental feedback
- A mixture of learning environments including 1:1s, small group action learning and large scale training events and lectures

92% of tutors felt that they were better prepared for their next step in life after completing the programme

“Team Up has not only provided me with leadership skills as well as increased confidence, but has also provided me with an amazing reference for job interviews. Team Up is such a rewarding experience, and enlightening and encouraging young children to be the best they can be is an amazing opportunity that I believe everyone should take part in.”

Alanna Burton - previous sixth form tutor



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Why choose the Team Up enrichment programme

The Team Up Enrichment Programme provides a one stop shop for sixth form students to stand out when it comes to applying for a place at university or for a job. Through their participation, students will stand out from the crowd by:

- 1. Demonstrating the right attitude:** students will have clear examples to demonstrate the sort of responsibility, reliability and outcomes that admissions departments and employers will look for. This will be backed up by the reference they will receive from their Programme Manager, and enhanced by the mentor from a career sector of interest or university who they can work with over the course of the programme.¹ Throughout the year there will also be opportunities for further work experience in the Team Up office.
- 2. Evidencing leadership skills:** students will learn leadership skills, put these into practice by inspiring a small group of pupils, and leave with concrete examples of how they have applied their skills to work towards outcomes.
- 3. Evidencing interest in the subject area:** university admissions departments want students to evidence a passion for the subject they will be studying. Through tutoring English or Maths, students can evidence interest in a subject at the core of anything they will go onto study at university.
- 4. Being recognised for their achievements:** students that take part in the programme can work towards an SSAT² accredited Student Leadership award. They can also commit to working towards the Outstanding Tutor award, that will see them listed on the Team Up website awards page.
- 5. Building networks:** Participants choose from our range of optional extras based on what most would benefit them.

68% of university admissions departments say regular volunteering adds value to a personal statement

100% of tutors felt that they had developed leadership skills over the programme

¹The Schools Students and Teachers Network

²All participants are guaranteed a mentor and matched with the closest career sector of interest depending on mentor availability at the time.

Making a difference

Our sixth form students make a difference to the pupils they work with. At the schools where our tuition was delivered with a majority of sixth formers as tutors, pupils improved on average by 0.6 grades over one term – double the national expected rate of progress for pupils, and in line with the rates of improvement achieved where the majority of tutors were university students or professionals. Sixth formers also have the advantage of being proximate in age to those they tutor, and as a result:

- Pupils often find them easy to relate to, building high levels of engagement in the programme
- Tutors have a fresh and good understanding of the curriculum being studied by the pupils, enabling their tuition to be relevant and tailored



Case Study:

Edmonton County

In Spring 2017 a trial was run at Edmonton County School in which every tutor participating was a Sixth Form student at the associated college.

The programme was hugely successful, raising 92% of pupil's grades by one boundary and 31% of grades by 2 boundaries. Overall, grades were raised by an average of 1.3 grade boundaries, demonstrating the efficacy Sixth Form tutors can have.

"For my [school] students, I think they benefited from having a younger tutor, who was more familiar with the structure and content of the course. I think it also broke down a lot of barriers between us, and I noticed that this meant the students were more willing to ask for help, or speak out when they didn't understand something."

Adam Said – previous sixth form tutor

How to access the programme

Connecting with your students

Team Up can offer a range of methods to help you get the word out to your students:

- Presentation – Team Up can deliver a presentation or assembly to your students
- Open days or enrichment fairs – Team Up can run a stall at your open day or enrichment fair
- Posters – Team Up can provide posters for you to advertise the opportunity
- Email templates – Team Up can provide email templates to help you share the opportunity with colleagues

To discuss with our volunteer manager how we can best help connect with your students, contact Tom on:

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Entry requirements

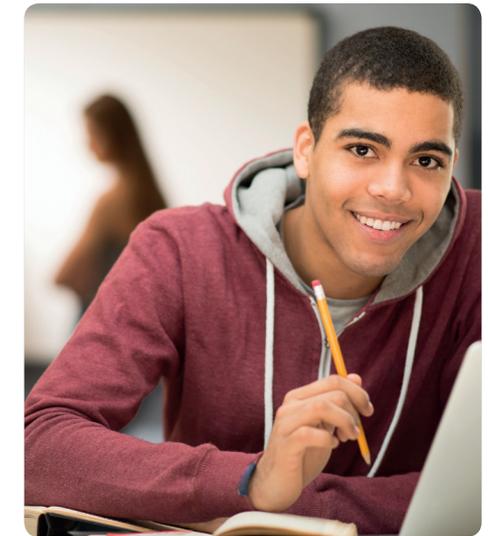
Students need to be on track to achieve at least a B at A-Level in a relevant subject to the one they want to tutor in, and must have achieved at least a B in the subject at GCSE. The screening process involves applicants passing the following steps:

1. Application form
2. Interview including mock teaching activity

For many students the application process is a valuable learning experience in and of itself.

"I think Team Up was a great programme because it brings tutors and pupils, who wouldn't normally know or work with one another, together in a way that means both sides can learn."

Josie Tindale - previous sixth form tutor



Alternatively, sixth form students can apply directly at teamup.org.uk

About Team Up

Knowing the household income of a child allows you to predict their life chances with frightening accuracy: 34% of those aged 16-24 eligible for Free School Meals are not in education, employment or training (NEET) compared to 12% of the population as a whole³. The gap in attainment starts at school: only one in five of the poorest children in England gain five good GCSEs.⁴

Team Up uses tuition, delivered by inspirational role models, to enable pupils from low income backgrounds to meaningfully increase their academic attainment, in order to improve the choices open to them.

Through our programme, both pupils and tutors benefit from a tailored programme of learning and development that helps them improve their academic attainment and wider skill set.

In 2016 - 2017, we delivered **8,226** hours of tuition to **1,106** pupils with a volunteering team of **315** tutors. On average, pupils who completed one of our programmes improved their attainment by **0.6** grades – almost double the rate of progress normally expected of pupils in the equivalent time. In this, our first year of the sixth form Enrichment programme, **85** of our tutor participants were sixth formers.

³ESRC, 2012
⁴Parliament, 2016