

Women Leading in Education regional networks: pen portrait

Region: North West

Lead school: Everton Nursery School / Lead school for the North Liverpool Teaching School Partnership

Phase/sector: Nursery / Primary, with links to Secondary

Total number of schools involved: 6 Teaching Schools (two from each sub region) are the strategic links for leading the development of their sub region activity with support from WomenEd regional links to Learn and Lead, GM and BBCL.

External partners involved: WomenEd

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Vision for the Network

Our vision is for the North West sub-regional networks for women leading in education to be the 'go to' presence for aspirant and existing women leaders at any level.

We aim to promote leadership opportunities and networks for women at all stages of their leadership journey and in all sectors (Early Years/Foundation, Primary, Secondary and Further Education) of the workforce across the North West.

Network structure

The aim of the structure is to create 3 sub-regional networks that cover the whole of the North West that are matched to the 3 sub-regional Teaching School networks working closely with WomenEd in the North West:

BBCL TS network covering the Blackburn with Darwen, Blackpool, Cumbria and Lancashire LA areas.

GM TS network covering the 10 Greater Manchester LA areas.

Learn and Lead TS network covering the 9 Merseyside and Cheshire LA areas.

What will your Network do?

Our 3 regional networks will deliver a mix of provision including regular network meetings, an online social media presence, individual support and advice for women. We aim to launch our work at a regional conference for the North West in June 2017.

Main intended outcomes:

Specific intended outcomes for participants are:

- That the 3 networks collectively have a strong regional and sub-regional voice for women with access to leadership opportunities across the North West.
- That there is an increased number of coaches for the Women Leading in Education programme.
- 3 viable, self-sustaining sub-regional networks being led and managed by network members.
- 3 networks collectively taking responsibility for any regional or sub-regional activity to support women leaders and aspiring women leaders.

Measurable outputs for this programme will be:

- Increased ability and confidence in women delivering their current role.
- Increased motivation in women to seek next stage of promotion.
- Increased number of women next stage of promotion applications.
- Increased number of women being coached through the Women Leading in Education programme.

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