**Learning Support Team Core Offer**

## **About us and what we do**

The Learning Support Team (LST) provide advice and support to children, families and education establishments across Leicestershire.

A central part of the LST role is to offer free consultations to schools and FE providers to support them in meeting the needs of pupils who have persistent literacy and maths difficulties, including dyslexia and dyscalculia. Schools are provided with support from specialist advisory teachers who are qualified and experienced in assessing and teaching pupils with specific learning difficulties.

Through bespoke consultations and forums (free), and through training (charged), LST can support schools to:

* understand specific learning difficulties like dyslexia and dyscalculia
* make adjustments to teaching and learning to meet the needs of young people with additional learning needs
* put systems in place to identify learning needs and evidence adjustments – responding to learning difficulties through a graduated response to need
* create learning profiles - exploring both the difficulty, the impact on the learner including on wellbeing, and assessment
* intervention – beyond the mainstream
* understand the learning needs of a named child/student
* investigate other areas of teaching and learning that the SENCO/ inclusion manager may wish to discuss

## **Accessing our support**

LST provides advice to schools and FE providers **only**; LST do not work directly with parents and young people. Every school / FE provider is entitled to 2 hours of FREE consultation annually.

Schools / FE providers can choose to ‘pool’ their consultation hours to create a forum; the forum lead would then set up and lead the meetings.

The coverage of information during ‘training’ is very similar to that covered in consultations/forums – especially since we are now online (currently). So, if schools choose to ‘pool’ their hours, they are in effect getting lots of free training.

To find out about what LST currently have on offer, and to book consultation or forum dates please go to Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/the-learning-support-team-leicestershire-specialist-teaching-service-19420354499>

Alternatively, contact:LSSCoreOffer@leics.gov.uk