

Please attach your Professional Statement as a Word Document. Please ensure that you structure your sentences and paragraphs correctly and format the document appropriately using **Arial font size 12**.

GUIDANCE FOR COMPLETION OF THE PROFESSIONAL STATEMENT

Your registration with the TDA included a personal statement which was limited to 600 words. You may now submit further additional professional information to support your application.

Your professional statement is a key aspect of your application and of the selection process. It is an opportunity for you to tell us why you feel that you have the potential to teach.

It is anticipated that your statement will be no more than 2 sides of A4 and will reflect upon such areas as:

- your reasons for wishing to train as a teacher;
- your reasons for wishing to train in the particular age group you have selected;
- for Secondary applicants, your reasons for wishing to teach your subject specialism;
- the reasons that you consider that you have the subject knowledge required to teach;
- the extent of your experience in a school setting and how this experience has informed your decision to apply for teacher training;
- any experience you have of working with children / young people;
- any other teaching or training experience;
- any other information that you feel would enhance your application.

We would encourage you to send us an updated version of your professional statement at any time prior to shortlisting, for example, if your circumstances change or you have gained additional school experience.