



LONDON RECRUITMENT AGENCY ATTAINS QUALITY MARK RE-ACCREDITATION IN SUPPLY TEACHERS SELECTION

SANZA Teaching Agency, a specialist education recruitment agency based in London has been re-accredited with the Department for Education's Quality Mark for the 8th consecutive year.

This accolade demonstrates that they have continued to achieve the highest possible standard of recruitment selection and vetting of supply teachers.

SANZA Teaching Agency based in Tottenham Court Road, offers services in education recruitment across all London and Greater London areas.

Kati Pilkington, Operations Director said: "I'm extremely proud and delighted that we have been re-accredited with the Quality Mark. It is recognition of SANZA's high standards of recruitment and vetting and gives increased confidence to our schools that our standards are of the highest in the industry."

Kevin Green, Chief Executive of the Recruitment and Employment Confederation (REC) which manages the Quality Mark scheme, said: "SANZA are to be commended for continuing to excel themselves in reaching the optimum standard for recruiting supply teachers. The Quality Mark is becoming increasingly recognised within the industry as guaranteeing effective and ethical provision of supply teachers who are so crucial to the lifeblood of schools."

Supply teachers make an increasingly important contribution to the smooth running of schools. At the same time, it is essential to ensure that the supply staff that are being placed within the schools are of the required standard and have been correctly vetted by the agency supplying them.

Within this context, the Government's Quality Mark Scheme plays a crucial role by providing a recognisable quality threshold and by promoting high standards in the provision of supply teachers.

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Notes for Editors:

- The Quality Mark was launched in July 2002 as a joint initiative between the Department for Education and the Recruitment and Employment Confederation
- By using agencies who have been granted the Quality Mark, schools know they are being supplied with high quality supply staff who have been correctly vetted and that as clients, they are receiving an informed and transparent service
- The Quality Mark sets 19 minimum standards for agencies and LEAs to reach in areas such as the recruitment and selection of supply teachers; continual performance monitoring of the teacher; ensuring legal obligations are observed; the provision of accurate and timely information to schools and staying at the forefront of changes in the teaching sector
- To date, 134 agencies, a university and four LEAs are holders of the Quality Mark while six are currently in the process of applying.

About the REC:

The REC is the professional body for the £24.6 billion private recruitment and staffing industry in the UK, with over 8,000 recruitment agencies. All members must abide by a Code of Professional Practice.

The REC has a dedicated sector group for recruitment agencies specialising in Education.

The REC is able to speak on all aspects of the labour market, from employment legislation and workplace issues, to skills shortages, implications for the economy of changes in employment levels and the benefits of temporary work.

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