



SBM spring 2025 update

27 Jan 2025

School workforce buyback offer for 2025-26

Here is the [School workforce development brochure for 2025-26](#)

Services to schools buybacks will open just after half term and close at the end of March 2025.

If you have any queries on any of the service options please email ABennett@ealing.gov.uk

SBM annual supplier event Wednesday 19 March 2025

The event will be held at the Ealing Education Centre from 9:30 to 11:30am.

An opportunity to hear about innovative cost saving solutions and network with peers.

To confirm your attendance, please register via Ealing CPD: [SBM supplier network meeting](#)

Training opportunities

ILM Effective Coaching L3 award

- Starts March 2025 at the EEC
- 4 sessions
- for new and experienced coaches who want to gain a formal qualification and develop their knowledge and skills in effective coaching within an organisational context
- professional membership of the ILM is included for 1 year with this course
- ELP Schools currently receive a 20% discount
- Book via CPD online: [ILM Level 3 award in effective coaching](#)

ILM L3 and L5 Management /Leadership award programmes

- Courses available for all staff
- run at the EEC
- fully accredited with ILM and commencing this term
- ELP Schools currently receive a 20% discount
- Book via the links below:
 - [ILM level 3 award - Leadership and management](#)
 - [ILM level 5 award - Leadership and management](#)

If you cannot attend the 2025 dates but are interested in a future cohort date please contact abennett@ealing.gov.uk to register your interest

DfE sponsored level 7 qualification bursaries available for SBM's

This opportunity has just arisen. The CIPFA course is a great programme - if you are interested please do email below contact to find out more.

The department funds a limited number of bursaries covering 75% of the cost for school business professionals working in academy trusts and maintained schools to complete the CIPFA Diploma in School Financial and Operational Leadership.

For more information about eligibility and to apply, please email sbp.policy@education.gov.uk.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on 10 February 2025.

School business manager outreach for ELP schools

[School business manager outreach](#) | [Ealing Grid for Learning](#)

[2024 Award Winners — National Schools Awards 2024](#)

Congratulations to Catherine Franchi, Selborne Primary School, who was recent runner up for School Business Leaders of the Year (2024) award.

Catherine is one of our SBM Outreach team who offers support to other schools within ELP in addition to her role at Selborne.

If you would like to join the outreach team please contact Alison Bennett abennett@ealing.gov.uk so that you can be registered.

Out next meeting in on 11 February 2025 at the EEC 9.30am. Come along if you would like to find out more about becoming an outreach partner within ELP.

Updates from the DfE commercial team

[The Procurement Act goes live on 24 February. Is your school or trust ready?](#)

[Energy cost recovery services for your school or trust](#)

[Free DfE webinars for schools - Spring 2025](#)

[Join the risk protection arrangement \(RPA\) for schools](#)

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