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CELSIAN EDUCATION ATTAINS QUALITY MARK FOR SUPPLY TEACHERS' SELECTION FOR THE THIRD SUCCESSIVE YEAR

For the third successive year, Celsian Education, an education recruitment specialist, has achieved 100% compliance in the Department for Education's Quality Mark accreditation. This accolade demonstrates that Celsian has achieved the highest standard of recruitment, selection and vetting of supply teachers. Celsian are proud to be one of the first agencies to receive Quality Mark and this is their 7th successive year of accreditation.

Celsian has been in operation since 1993 with offices in Birmingham, Derby, Gateshead, Leeds, Leicester, Liverpool, London, Manchester and Southampton. This re-accreditation demonstrates that Celsian has continually achieved the highest possible standards of recruitment throughout the UK.

Celsian's Operations Director Lee Brammer said: "I'm extremely proud and delighted that we have retained the Quality Mark with 100% compliance. To do this for three successive years clearly demonstrates our high standards of recruitment and vetting and should give 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: "Celsian Education is to be congratulated on reaching the optimum standard for recruiting supply teachers. This standard 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.



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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.

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 Celsian Education:

Celsian Education specialise exclusively in education, supporting clients across all phases and sectors of teaching and support roles by providing daily supply, long-term and permanent appointments.

To find out more about Celsian Education, please visit our website

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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.

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