

COUNT ON US | SECONDARY CHALLENGE

SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT between schools and Mayor's Fund for London 2021/2022

This School Participation Agreement is an agreement between the Mayor's Fund for London and your school. It will capture the commitments required from your school throughout the Count on Us Secondary Challenge.

MAYOR'S FUND FOR LONDON OVERVIEW

Count on Us Challenge, the Mayor's Fund for London's maths programme in partnership with the Jack Petchey Foundation, works with schools to help young Londoners reach a level of maths skill that allows them to meet their full potential, get a decent job and seize the opportunities London offers.

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COUNT ON US SECONDARY CHALLENGE OVERVIEW

The Count on Us Secondary Challenge is a unique, pan-London inter-school maths tournament for Years 7, 8 and 9 students. By combining a series of mental arithmetic and problem-solving activities, the Count on Us Secondary Challenge aims to support students in their catch-up curriculum and develop their confidence, fluency, and problem-solving skills in Mathematics.

The tournament features four rounds which, this year, is configured more directly to focus on the scope of the national maths curriculum:

Round 1 - using skills in Statistics and Probability, this is new for 2021/22

Round 2 - a focus on Geometry with the GridLines Geometry game designed especially for the Challenge, and tasks more closely mapped to the curriculum in 2021/22

Round 3 - is the Number round, using the various versions of the 24® Game

Round 4 - a more direct focus on Algebra skills in 2021/22, whilst retaining a theatrical problem-solving context.

Guidance to teachers will focus on using all the activities in three contexts:

1. **Student self-study** for catch-up
2. **In class activities** for everyone, across the department
3. Special sessions for a large group to enjoy the challenge activities and **prepare for the tournament.**

In January, we will hold training sessions to familiarise lead teachers with the activities and discuss strategies for involving 100+ students in the programme, in class and/or in clubs. Training is expected to take place online.

In the spring term, all participating schools are encouraged to set up and take part in in/inter/intra-school practise tournaments. Where schools are part of a participating Multi Academy Trust or Borough, this tournament can be an intra-MAT or intra-Borough tournament.

Tournament events will take place in the summer term of the academic year 2021/2022, starting with the Heats after Easter and followed by the Final event in June or July either at City Hall or a similar prestigious venue. Should this not be possible, because of restrictions at the time, an alternative online tournament will be held.

Specialist guidance and support for this programme will be provided by Chris Olley at The Maths Zone.

The Mayor's Fund for London will:

1. Provide training and ongoing support to all participating schools.
2. Provide support materials to enable all schools and students to engage fully in the programme. This includes the following resources which will be fully refreshed for 2021/22:
 - Teacher Guide
 - Student Workbook
 - Tournament Handbook and Tournament Activities.
3. Provide school resource kits - to include maths challenge games and related materials.
4. Upload all support documentation and additional resources onto the Mayor's Fund for London website, in a password protected area of the website for participating schools.
5. Coordinate and manage the Tournament events (Heats and Final).
6. Organise all events to be distance compliant, according to regulations at the time of events.
7. Plan alternative online events to enable full participation should in-person events be prevented from taking place.

SCHOOL COMMITMENTS

All participating schools agree to:

1. Upon receipt of invoice, process payment within 30 days.
2. Designate a colleague to lead this programme in school and attend an online training session.
3. Following the training session, to coordinate and implement (i) student self-study for curriculum catch-up; (ii) in class activities for everyone, across the department, to widen participation; and (iii) special sessions for a large group of Years 7, 8 and 9 students to enjoy the challenge activities and prepare for the tournament.
4. Coordinate an in/inter-school tournament in the spring term 2022.
5. After the tournament, to select five students to represent the school in the Heats; these must be mixed gender groups unless the school is single gender.
6. Support project evaluation by completing surveys, questionnaires, data collection, as requested by the Mayor's Fund for London.
7. Collect photo consent forms to enable Mayor's Fund for London and Jack Petchey Foundation to use images appropriately, and parent/carer permission for team members to attend events.
8. Carry out risk assessment in line with school policy and procedures to ensure safe participation of students during the regional Heats and the Final, as well as any in-school activities within the project.
9. Where possible, support and take part in Mayor's Fund for London's and Jack Petchey Foundation PR and communications activities, including social media, hosting visits to school and supplying case studies with photographs and information for media coverage.
10. Coordinate five students and two accompanying staff members to attend the Heats (after Easter 2022) or if held online, to organise a space within the school, with suitable IT equipment.
NB: Events (Heats and Final) are scheduled to take place during the school day.
11. *If successful in the Heats*, five students and two accompanying staff members to attend the Final (in June or July 2022) or, if held online, to organise a space as above, with suitable IT equipment.
12. Provide regular project updates to the Mayor's Fund for London throughout, as requested.
13. In the event of withdrawal after training, the school is required to pay the full costs of registration and resources.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN

Mayor's Fund for London (charity number 1124833), whose registered office is Mayor's Fund for London
169 Union Street, London, SE1 0LL (MFL)

And (*to be signed by Head of Department or other with management/ budget responsibility*)

School Name:		Borough:	
*Print Name:		Job Title:	
Signed		Date:	

***I agree, on behalf of my organisation, to adhere to the above.**

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