

North Lincolnshire Children's University

# School Membership Offer and Specialist School Membership

*Inspiring children  
to discover their  
potential*





# Introduction

**In North Lincolnshire we are firm believers that every child should have the chance of reaching their fullest potential to become the very best that they can be.**

It is well known that children who thrive through school and in later life develop confidence, have high aspirations, and develop a love of learning the skills, passions and characteristics that have been developed both in the classroom and beyond.

At North Lincolnshire Children's University, we encourage children and young people from Reception age onwards to try out new learning experiences both in and outside of school. This could be breakfast, lunchtime and after school clubs, as well as in their own time such as visits to local libraries, museums, or places of interest.

The pinnacle of the CU experience is our inspirational graduation ceremony. Regardless of background our learning adventure gives children and young people the opportunities to enrich their childhood, create excitement over lifelong learning, and unlock skills and talents as well as developing aspirations and confidence.

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## **Offer for Schools**

North Lincolnshire CU encourages children, young people, and their families to seek out exciting high quality learning opportunities both in school and in the wider community to develop the lifelong essential skills they need to succeed.

Participation and enrichment are voluntary and is re-enforced and celebrated through the CU national award scheme which starts at 30 hours of participation and progresses up to 1000 hours. Children can view their activities and hours of enrichment on their individual online passports to learning.

## **All schools subscribing to Children’s University receive:**

- National CU Certificates to be awarded in school
- Training and support for staff on the use of the CU Online system and Network sessions to develop the school’s programme of enrichment activities.
- Reports on engagement & impact
- Signposting to quality ‘Learning destinations’ within North Lincolnshire
- Additional resources and opportunities including home learning challenges, competitions, and our CU ‘projects in a box’



## Offer for Specialist Provisions

As well as accessing all the benefits of CU available to all schools, North Lincolnshire CU has an enhanced offer for Special Schools and alternative provisions.

- Doubling of the CU credits for SEND pupils to recognise the challenges around access and support them to achieve their CU awards ensuing that they are fairly recognised and rewarded for participation.
- Ongoing support including social stories and reasonable adjustments for graduation ceremonies, events, and activities to help remove barriers and ensure they are inclusive and accessible for all.
- Flexibility and adapted resources to facilitate participation in North Lincolnshire CU school projects.
- The opportunity to share practice with others and have a meaningful input into the development of the CU offer for SEND pupils.
- Home learning challenges focused on the development of independent life.



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## Impact

There are loads of reasons to get your school involved in North Lincolnshire CU.

- Ongoing local and national research shows the positive impact participation in CU and extra curricular activity has on attainment, attendance, and progress.
- The Education Endowment Foundation has Children's University listed as a promising project.
- Our focus of beyond the classroom is a great fit for Ofsted's new focus on character development.
- Through our work with SkillsBuilder Partnership, we are able to support children and young people to build essential skills to enable them to thrive and equip them for the future.
- North Lincolnshire CU fulfils 6 of the 8 Gatsby Benchmarks which reflect international best practice, to improve the careers provisions within schools.
- CU promotes inclusivity for all.

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## Get Involved

Joining the Children's University  
is **FREE** to do for all schools!

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how your school can get involved:

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