



Sex Ed Matters Champion Accreditation

This Champion Accreditation is designed to strengthen RSE provision in all schools while minimising teacher workload.

We provide curriculum-aligned resources and tools which schools can use throughout the year to boost their RSE provision. In return, you will receive our accreditation crest and a clear list of your RSE achievements to verify and organise your hard work.

Our Champion Accreditation has boosted school Ofsted ratings and improved relationships with parents by ensuring they feel included and heard. It has been designed with the backing of the Government innovation body, UKRI.

The scheme will launch in September 2023 in line with when the Government has confirmed the RSE curriculum will be assessed and updated.

You can find more details below, including what's included and costs.



What's involved

In September 2023, we will share a checklist of RSE activity to all schools signed up for our Accreditation Scheme.

This list aligns with the RSE curriculum and has been designed with teachers, guardians and industry experts to ensure all students are as safe as possible, to reduce the workload of PSHE and RSE leads and to boost students' RSE learning.

Schools will have the academic year to complete this list. They can email us at any time with questions and if they need to request additional support.

This checklist will come with the tools that schools need to complete it, including:

- 1) Resources and learning objectives
- 2) School policies to strengthen student safety
- 3) Parent communications
- 4) Student questionnaires to gauge student satisfaction
- 5) Student services to boost safeguarding

The checklist will cover the core RSE topics of consent, friendships and bullying, sexuality and periods.

Our support has specifically been mentioned in the Ofsted reports of schools we support, showcasing how seriously schools take RSE and the excellent provision they provide students.

How it works - timeline

● **March 2023 - July 2023**

Schools are invited to join the Sex Ed Champion Accreditation scheme

● **September 2023**

Schools will be provided with a checklist of activity to implement throughout the year, aligned to the RSE curriculum. They will also receive all the resources and tools they'll need to complete this checklist.

For example, one item on this list may be sharing top tips with parents for speaking with their child(ren) about periods in a way that is culturally sensitive and tackles period stigma. In this case, **we will provide our schools with text to use as a template** which can be distributed to parents, minimising workload for teachers.

● **Thursday 27th June 2024 (optional)**

Schools can join us for a special celebration on RSE Day, which will impress Ofsted inspectors as it will cement RSE learning objectives and boost safeguarding. We organise this online event and welcome all our schools to join.

● **June 2024**

Schools share completed lists with us.

● **July 2024**

Before schools break up for Summer, we will verify all completed checklists.

Once this process is complete (it should take no more than two weeks) we will share a 'Sex Ed Champion' crest with successful schools, as well as a congratulatory letter and a list which will compile everything the school did to achieve the accreditation in one place. These artefacts will then be ready for any inspector, parent, awards judge, or other interested party.

● Schools will then sign up for the following year of accreditation.

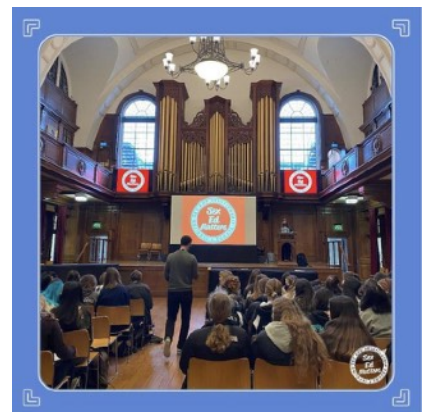
Our expertise

'Sex Ed Matters' was founded in 2019 to tackle the normalisation of sexual harassment, as documented by [Everyone's Invited](#) and [Ofsted](#), and to strengthen the new Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) curriculum.

We have since provided consent and healthy relationships workshops in many different schools across the country, including University College School, St Paul's Girls' School, Hertswood Academy Sixth Form, St Andrew's Pangbourne and Haberdashers Boys' and Girls' schools.

To create this accreditation scheme, we have worked with many organisations including the Muslim Women's Network UK and Ambitious About Autism to ensure our scheme is as inclusive as possible. We have also consulted with our partner organisation UKRI as well as our advisory board, which consists of school senior leaders, as well as an LGBT inclusive specialist, RSE campaigners and education experts. You can find a [full list of our board of advisors here](#).

To give context, our Co-Founder Laura Coryton started working in RSE when she launched and led the [petition against tampon tax](#), which ended the "luxury" tax applied to period products in January 2021. Her petition also successfully lobbied the Government into donating nearly £100m to female-focused charities via the Tampon Tax Fund and has sparked sister petitions across the world. She hopes this scheme can help empower teachers just as her activism has for her.



Next Steps

Our social enterprise model is to charge private schools slightly more than state schools, which can also help boost their charitable status. The only difference between these packages is the price.

To ask questions or sign up to our Sex Ed Champion Scheme, please email info@sexedmatters.co.uk with your name and school/Trust. We are hoping to onboard schools and Trusts before July 2023, ahead of the support which will begin in September.

We very much look forward to hearing from you and to hopefully be working with you soon.

Very best wishes,

Laura and Julia Coryton

Co-Founders and Managing Directors
Sex Ed Matters



