

2021/22: PAY PROGRESSION FOR TEACHERS Movement to Point 3 of the Upper Pay Scale September 2021

This note provides guidance to Governors and Principals on the arrangements agreed for the movement of teachers to point 3 of the Upper Pay Scale from 1 September 2021. It should be read in the context of the statutory responsibilities (for teachers' salaries) of Boards of Governors and Principals. It is important that teachers are confident that decisions on progression are arrived at in a fair, consistent, transparent and evidence-based manner.

Who is eligible to move to point three of the Upper Pay Scale from 1 September 2021?

Teachers in post at 1 September 2021 who moved to point 2 of the Upper Pay Scale on or before 1 September 2019 are eligible to be considered for progression to point 3 of the Upper Pay Scale from 1 September 2021.

What criteria will be used to make decisions on movement?

The Principal, in approving the movement of an individual teacher, needs to ensure the teacher was placed on UPS2 on or before 1 September 2019 and has a recent successful Performance Review and Staff Development (PRSD) review statement.

How will decisions on movement be made?

In most cases the decision will be based on the performance of the teacher over the previous two years (2019/20 and 2020/21. Due to Covid-19 disruption, 2019/20 was discounted for PRSD purposes. With agreement between Management Side and Teachers' Side of the TNC, it was decided that PRSD will also be discounted for 2020/21. Other evidence from the teacher can continue to be submitted. Decisions on movement will be taken on the basis of the most recent successful PRSD review statement.

Is there an application process?

There is no centrally administered application process nor is there a standard application form for completion by the teacher. Decisions on progression will be taken in the school by the Principal and it is important for a Principal to make clear to all teachers the process to be used to inform his/her decision-making.

Is there an appeal process for unsuccessful teachers?

Teachers who are not approved for movement may appeal under the appeals mechanism within their school's salary policy. Grievance procedures should not be used for appeals against pay decisions.

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Scho	ool:			School No:
Teacher:				TR No:
Subj	ect /	Area:		
Posit	tion (e.g. HOD):		
1.	На	s the teacher compl	eted a recent succes	ssful PRSD Review? YES / NO
2.		Where an unsuccessful PRSD review has been recorded, provide details of the reasons.		
 3.	Re	commendation:		
mad		ote: This section sho	ould be completed ON	LY when a FINAL decision is
3.	Recommendation: (Note: This section should only be completed when a FINAL decision has been made)			
	l re	ecommend that		(teacher's name)
	sh	ould / should not be	placed on UPS3 with	effect from 1 September 2021.
Duin	oinal			Data

This record should be retained securely in the school.

It may be required for quality assurance audit purposes or in the event of an appeal.