Welcome to Issue 1 of Framework for Excellence School and LA Pilot News.

Framework for Excellence School and LA Pilot News will:

- Bring together all communication to pilot schools and local authorities
- Include all relevant information for pilots, in particular the key activities and dates
- Provide updates on the progress of each of the User and Development Groups

Pilot News will be sent regularly to all schools and local authorities involved in piloting the Framework for Excellence during 2009/10 on a monthly basis.

There may also be some direct communication between User and Development Groups and representatives from pilot schools and local authorities as required.

In this issue of Pilot News:

1. Schools and Local Authorities participating by region
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1. Schools and Local Authorities participating by region

The final lists of all organisations participating in the Framework for Excellence school and local authority Pilot has been published.

Schools participating by region

Local Authorities participating by region

Please note that pilot schools or local authorities should not be contacted directly. All requests for information about the pilot should be directed to schoolandpilot@lsc.gov.uk.

2. User and Development Groups

The Framework for Excellence website has been updated with descriptions and terms of reference for each of the User and Development Groups.

The User and Development Group for the pilot are:

- Local Authority Group
- Partnership Group
- Special Schools and Specialist Colleges Group
- Learner Views and Destinations Group
- Qualification Success Rate (QSR) Threshold Attainment and Value Added Group
• School Report Card (SRC), Framework Publication and Information Group*

* The School Report Card and Information Groups have merged

Please visit http://ffe.lsc.gov.uk/schoolsixthformpilot/groups/ for further information.

3. User and Development Group Meetings

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The arrangements for further meetings may include virtual meetings, video conferencing, teleconferencing, and email.

4. Publications

On the Framework for Excellence website you can now download:

**Framework for Excellence: Unified Post – 16 Performance Assessment**
[Click here to view](http://ffe.lsc.gov.uk)

**Framework for Excellence School and LA Pilot Guide**
[Click here to view](http://ffe.lsc.gov.uk)

5. Enquiries and Updates

Should you have any further enquiries please use our dedicated school and local authority mailbox, the e-mail address is schoolandlapilot@lsc.gov.uk. Further information is also available on the Framework for Excellence website: http://ffe.lsc.gov.uk

Future issues of Pilot News will include updates on:

• Schools Report Card
• National Commissioning Framework and Performance Management Framework.

Should you have any questions about the School and Local Authority Pilot please contact us at: schoolandpilot@lsc.gov.uk

Kind regards

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