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Dear Mahreen,

Pearson BTEC Level 2 Technical Certificate in Patisserie and Confectionery
Pearson BTEC Level 2 Technical Extended Diploma in Professional Cookery
Pearson BTEC Level 2 Technical Diploma in Food and Beverage Service

As a Professional Body in the Hospitality sector we PACE recognise these qualifications as valuable and relevant in supporting the needs of business and employees within our member organisations. The following qualifications are suitable for young people between the ages of 16-19 and those aged 19+ who are studying full time/part time.

Pearson BTEC Level 2 Technical Certificate in Professional Patisserie and Confectionery

This qualification allows learners to develop skills in working with ingredients and producing finished products that are found in a patisserie such as cakes, biscuits and sponges and other hot and cold desserts. They will also learn about how professional kitchens are structured; how to plan and prepare menus and calculate basic costs, food safety and health and safety. As such the qualification covers all the required knowledge and skills we expect of those looking to enter the workforce and prepares learners when applying for and starting work within a professional kitchen as a junior pastry chef.

Pearson BTEC Level 2 Technical Extended Diploma in Professional Cookery

During the course of this qualification learners will undertake practical tasks in the kitchen, preparing and cooking a wide variety of ingredients and food types to meet an end goal of being able to work a service in a professional kitchen. Learners who achieve this qualification will gain all the knowledge and skills we expect of those looking to enter the sector and will be in a favourable position when applying for jobs within a professional kitchen in roles such as commis chef.

Pearson BTEC Level 2 Technical Diploma in Food and Beverage Service

Achieving this qualification will place a young person in a favourable position when applying for jobs within the hospitality sector in roles such as waiter/waitress or Front of House Team Member. Learners will develop their understanding of menus and their design, legislation, the industry as a whole as well as gaining skills in bar and hot drinks service and working in a food service area such as a restaurant.

We support the inclusion of these qualifications as technical qualifications in the DFE performance tables and are happy for Pearson to use this letter on their website.

Yours sincerely

Geoff Booth
Chairman