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Dear James

Letter of support for the Pearson BTEC Level 2s in Performing Arts

As a leading trade association representing the interests of and providing professional support for the performing arts in the UK, we recognise the following qualifications as being fit for purpose:

- 601/0168/4 Pearson BTEC Level 1/Level 2 First Diploma in Performing Arts
- 600/6870/X Pearson BTEC Level 1/Level 2 First Extended Certificate in Performing Arts

The qualifications when achieved at level 2 will support learners to progress to employment or within employment in a range of job roles across the industry, for example in acting, production, dance, music and administration.

For such roles, we believe that these qualifications provide an appropriate level of knowledge and skills, meeting the needs of the business and the individual, ensuring employees are appropriately skilled for the job and able to deliver to the standard that the sector expects.

The qualifications will also support the individual, should they chose to progress in to further training.

We are happy for Pearson to use this letter in support of its work with government and its agencies, to ensure that this invaluable qualification can continue to be recognised for college performance tables and 19+ funding.

Yours sincerely

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Executive Director

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