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Dear Tara

Letter of recognition to support the inclusion of:

**Pearson BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Professional Food and Beverage Service (QCF)
- 601/6944/8**

on DFE performance tables and for SFA standalone 19+ funding.

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

- 1. Pearson BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Professional Food and Beverage Service (QCF)** will place a young person in a favourable position when applying for jobs within the hospitality sector or progressing on to the **Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Food and Beverage Service Supervision (QCF) - 600/2244/9**

At level 2 learners will undertake units covering understanding menus and their design, legislation, the industry as a whole and dealing with payments. Learners will further their development by undertaking practical elements around bar and hot drinks service whilst also working in a food service area such as a restaurant. The qualification will also allow learners to develop behavioural skills around maintaining their personal appearance, managing their time and their own development.

It supports progression to the Level 3 qualification by providing learners with intermediate skills, behaviours and knowledge that will be further developed to an advanced level within the Level 3 qualification. The qualification establishes the basis on which some of the level 3 qualification depends – for example at level 2, learners develop knowledge and skills of functions and at level 3, learners will be developing supervisory skills relating to those functions and how to promote the service and products they offer.

We support the inclusion of this qualification for the DFE performance tables and for recognition by SFA for 19+ funding.

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We are happy for Pearson to share this letter, if needed, with the Department of Education and/or the Skills Funding Agency, and publish it on the Pearson website so learners are able to access it.

Yours sincerely

Suzanne Weekes

Executive Director

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