

# Top tips when applying for Accelerator 2025-26

## Question 1:

What **commitments** are in place from your **Senior Leadership Team** to support this programme?



- ☐ Explicitly **ensure sign off from SLT** on training time requirements
- ☐ Identify how someone in SLT will **support the roll out** of the programme
- ☐ Consider **how essential skills link to other SLT priorities** e.g. pastoral, careers, CPD, teaching and learning

## Question 2:

How will the Skills Builder Accelerator **support priorities** in your school or college?



- ☐ Tell us about how this fits with your school or college **ethos, goals and/or improvement plan**
- ☐ **Practical considerations** such as which learners and staff will be involved, and when you will teach skills explicitly
- ☐ Make links to your **existing provision**

## Question 3:

Why do you think building essential skills is **important for your learners** now and in the future?



- ☐ Tell us the potential impact on **your learners**
- ☐ Consider how the programme could support **social mobility** and **student outcomes**
- ☐ Tell us how essential skills could support **work already taking place** with these groups

## Question 4:

What **excites you about becoming a Skills Leader** on the Skills Builder Accelerator?



- ☐ As a leader, what **impact** would you like to achieve
- ☐ Tell us **why you think** essential skills are important
- ☐ Tell us about how this programme will support your **other areas of work or professional development goals**

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