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# Further Education Commissioner (FEC)

The Further Education (FE) Commissioner works with FE colleges and local authorities to help improve the quality of education and strengthen financial stability. Their goal is to support colleges in delivering the best possible learning experience for learners.

The Commissioner plays a key role in supporting all statutory FE colleges and designated institutions, as well as local authorities involved in further education. They focus on helping colleges raise standards, build strong leadership teams, and avoid the need for formal interventions.

To do this, the FE Commissioner works closely with teams across the Department for Education (DfE) and Ofsted. They also collaborate with partners like the Education and Training Foundation, the Education Endowment Foundation, the Association of Colleges, the Sixth Form Colleges Association, HOLEX, the Gatsby Foundation and other representative groups, along with employers and industry bodies, to make sure further education meets the needs of both learners and the wider workforce.



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