



# **Taking Your First (Or Next) Step With Artificial Intelligence (AI) In Education Conference**

**University of Leeds  
28<sup>th</sup> February 2025, 08:30-15:30**

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# It's almost time...!

## Your Conference Essentials

We can't wait to welcome you to Leeds University on the 28th February 2025!

In designing and delivering this conference, we are committed to supporting schools and trusts to learn from Exceed Academies Trust's successes and challenges of our 18-month Artificial Intelligence (AI) journey, and to provide access to the resources we have created along the way. We hope this accelerates your AI journey and helps you identify opportunities to contribute to and benefit from a new regional network we would like to form as an outcome of the Conference. We recognise the positive strides we have taken and continue to take, but we are also aware that we would benefit from peer support and challenge to go even further. By attending this Conference we hope to develop a new, mutually beneficial partnership where we can support each other.

Below, you'll find the essential information you need to arrive at the venue and make the most of the Conference.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

Paul Butler  
Director School Improvement, Exceed Academies Trust

## Introducing Your Host: Exceed Academies Trust



Exceed Academies Trust is a Bradford-based multi-academy trust consisting of 14 primary, all-through, special, and alternative provision academies. Exceed leads Exceed SCITT - with initial teacher training hubs in Bradford, Leeds and Craven - and Exceed Teaching School Hub, one of the first six teaching school hubs nationally. Exceed Academies Trust also lead Bradford's SAFE Taskforce and Alternative Provision Taskforces. The Trust is committed to contributing to system wide improvements in education, as an outward-facing organisation with a strong moral purpose.

[www.exceedacademiestrust.co.uk](http://www.exceedacademiestrust.co.uk)

*"We believe that successful schools develop their own identity and individuality and are best placed to meet their own community's needs.*

*We believe that partnership working, the sharing of good practice and being outward facing as an organisation supports our aims."*

## Before The Conference Essentials

We have planned an hands-on, interactive event. Bringing a device is encouraged so you can go online and access the resources we have created and will share with you during the event.

1. Please bring a **laptop or tablet** to use during the Conference. A mobile phone is also an option, although this may not work on the University's Wi-Fi network and signal can not be guaranteed. A laptop or tablet would be the recommended device.
2. Please create a free account on [ChatGPT](#) if you don't have one already. This will allow you to use some of the ChatGPT specific resources we will share with you. If you are using a mobile phone or tablet, you may wish to install the ChatGPT app.
3. If you are travelling by car, please consider **car sharing** with colleagues. This will reduce the pressure on the availability of car parking spaces.



# Conference Day Essentials

## Programme

Friday 28th February 2025.

Registration from 08:30 at NEXUS, Leeds University for a prompt 09:15 start.

The Conference ends at 15:30.

Full programme details are provided below.

## If you are travelling by car

**Pre-registered vehicles** can access the University campus close to the Parkinson Tower (///decreased.outer.plays) and head to the Orange Zone for the multi-storey car park or ground level car parks (///activism.model.latter). *Please make sure you pay for your parking at the pay station **after** the conference and before you leave the campus.* The car parks are a 1-minute walk from NEXUS. Parking is not guaranteed on the day.

**Alternative parking** is available at [Woodhouse Lane Car Park](#) (Leeds City Council) (///loads.gift.answer). *Please make sure you pay for your parking when you **arrive** at the car park.* The car park is a 5-minute walk from NEXUS.

## Directions

- **Reception:** On arrival, please head to NEXUS, University of Leeds, LS2 3AA (///shell.spun.eating).
- **Workshops:** After the reception, we will move to HELIX, EC Stoner Building, University of Leeds, LS2 9JL (///await.value.lied). This is a short 2-3 minute walk.
- **Maps and directions:** [University of Leeds Campus Map](#) (PDF) or [interactive map](#) or [What Three Words](#) (use locations marked /// on this page).



# Programme

## Reception @ NEXUS, University of Leeds

08:30-09:15 Reception. Refreshments will be provided.

09:15-09:35 Introduction and aims of the event

09:35-09:55 Partner introductions

*Delegates will be divided into two groups. Each group will be further divided into three teams. Please follow the schedule below for your group and allocated team. Capacity for some activities are limited so please stick to your allocated group and team. Everyone will experience all the workshops during the day.*

## Workshops @ HELIX, University of Leeds

10:00-12:00 **Group 1** - Classroom

- The AI Journey with Exceed Academies Trust

10:00-12:00 **Group 2**

Red Team

- 10:00-10:35 Showcase - Enterprise area
- 10:40-11:15 VR and EEG Brain Scanning Headsets with the University of Leeds - XR Space
- 11:20-12:55 Google NotebookLM - XR Space seating area

Blue Team

- 10:00-10:35 VR and EEG Brain Scanning Headsets with the University of Leeds - XR Space
- 10:40-11:15 Google NotebookLM - XR Space seating area
- Showcase - Enterprise area

Green Team

- 10:00-10:35 Google NotebookLM - XR Space seating area
- 10:40-11:15 Showcase - Enterprise area
- 11:20-12:55 VR and EEG Brain Scanning Headsets with the University of Leeds - XR Space

12:00-13:00 Lunch and Showcase

13:00-15:00 **Group 2**

- The AI Journey with Exceed Academies Trust

13:00-15:00 **Group 1**

Purple Team

- 13:00-13:35 Showcase - Enterprise area
- 13:40-14:15 VR and EEG Brain Scanning Headsets with the University of Leeds - XR Space
- 14:20-14:55 Google NotebookLM - XR Space seating area

Yellow Team

- 13:00-13:35 VR and EEG Brain Scanning Headsets with the University of Leeds - XR Space
- 13:40-14:15 Google NotebookLM - XR Space seating area
- 14:20-14:55 Showcase - Enterprise area

Orange Team

- 13:00-13:35 Google NotebookLM - XR Space seating area
- 13:40-14:15 Showcase - Enterprise area
- 14:20-14:55 VR and EEG Brain Scanning Headsets with the University of Leeds - XR Space

15:00-15:15 Closing remarks and next steps: Building a peer support community - XR Space

15:15-15:30 Exploring opportunities for children to visit HELIX - XR Space

# Our Venues




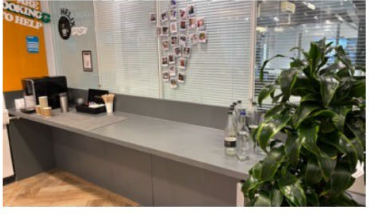



NEXUS, University of Leeds



HELIX, University of Leeds

# Our Event Spaces

Classroom	Enterprise area	XR Space
<p>The AI Journey with Exceed Academies Trust</p> 	<p>Showcase With Partners</p> 	<p>Google NotebookLM (Wooden seating area)</p> 
	<p>Lunch</p> 	<p>VR and AI Headsets (near omnifloor)</p> 
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## Our Conference Partners

We have invited a small number of Partners to join the Conference. Each Partner has been part of Exceed Academies Trust's AI journey and/or we believe they have resources and products that you are likely to want to be aware of. You will have opportunity to meet with each partner during the Conference and explore their product to inform your AI journey. We hope to confirm more partners soon.

### Confirmed Partners:

- \* **Google** for Education, including demonstrating NotebookLM.
- \* **Olex.ai**, an assessment tool that can mark past SATs and GCSE papers in minutes.
- \* **Magma Maths**, an interactive maths assessment and review resource.
- \* **Oak National Academy**, demonstrating Aila, a lesson planning and lesson resource creation tool.



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