

JOB DESCRIPTION

Post title: Student Support Assistant

Academy: Beacon of Light School

Reporting to: Assistant Principal

Salary/Pay range: SCP 4 - 6

Hours of work: 37 hours per week

Purpose of job

We are currently seeking to appoint a passionate, committed and experienced member of support staff to join us as we continue our journey in supporting the young people of the North East. This appointment will play a vital role in shaping the ethos, vision and values of our school and make a positive impact on our young people, their families, communities, and future. We moved into world-class, purpose-built premises September 2018 and are creating an environment for personalised educational opportunities, where there are highest expectations for all members of the school community - this appointment is key to embedding our aims and aspirations.

If you are interested at the prospect of working in an environment where you can make a real impact, and where exciting things are happening, then we welcome an application from you.

The successful applicant will:

- Be resilient, enthusiastic and committed, with a proven ability of supporting students facing challenging circumstances to achieve their full potential
- Demonstrate an unrelenting commitment to providing the best educational experiences for our students
- Embed our commitment to achievement for all
- Inspire and motivate staff and students on a daily basis
- Play a key role in the day to day running of the school and its direction of progress
- Be prepared to go 'the extra mile' to ensure every student achieves to the very best of their ability
- Be passionate about the power of education to improve the quality of life and the chances of young people

In return we offer:

- The professional benefits that come from working with a collegiate and supportive team
- Exciting collaborative curriculum opportunities with partners, businesses, employers and outside agencies
- Opportunities to continue your professional development
- The unique chance to shape the direction of the Beacon of Light School

Opened September 2016 within Sunderland AFC Stadium of Light, the Beacon of Light School is a unique Alternative Provision for young people aged 13-16. Our curriculum offer provides life-changing opportunities to the students who attend, not only in terms of improved educational outcomes but also in the longer term outcomes of training, work and economic wellbeing.

In September 2018 we moved from the Stadium into purpose-built accommodation within the Beacon building. This is an extremely exciting time for students and staff and we welcome new members to the team to shape the direction of our school as we move forward.

Students are at the very heart of our school community and we are passionate about embedding strong foundations and values for their future achievement and success. We recognise every student is an individual and celebrate this through personalised, inspiring and authentic learning experiences designed to nurture talent, build character and shape futures.

Offering the highest quality academic and vocational routes, supported by prestigious employers and endorsed by business, we align workplace qualities within a curriculum context. Our students are “work-ready” with a set of futureproofed skills as their ‘employability passport’ – fully prepared for the next exciting stage of life’s learning journey.

By investing in our young people today we will secure the future they deserve – enabling them to ***learn more, do more and be more.***

Health & Safety

- Ensuring that area of work complies with legislation relating to Health & Safety and observe and implement specific responsibilities in relation to these matters as detailed in the Policy for Health & Safety.
- Provide support in an emergency or evacuation situation, in a calm professional manner. Actively provide information to any emergency service when requested to do so.

Safeguarding

- Be aware and familiar with academy policies and other guidance on the safeguarding and promotion of wellbeing of children and young people. Taking appropriate action in accordance with academy policies and Keeping Children Safe in Education 2023, where required.