

# Job Application Pack Office Administrator (Post 16)

Temporary (Maternity Cover), Full time, Term Time Only + 2 weeks Salary: Grade 5, points 5-7, £18,795 -19,554 FTE Actual salary: £16,966 - £17,651 per annum

## Welcome from the CEO



Archway Learning Trust is a vibrant learning community where students are cared for, receive a high quality education and experience every opportunity to be successful.

School years are amongst the most important in our lives, helping us to develop the knowledge, skills and characteristics we need to succeed. At Archway Learning Trust, we are committed to giving every child the very best start that we can. We offer outstanding teaching and learning and exceptional personal support in an inclusive, faith based environment. I became a teacher because I believe in equal opportunities for everyone.

I also believe that every child has the right to an excellent education. Learning is at the heart of any good society and the opportunity to learn from teachers who are committed, enthusiastic and innovative is a right that all children should have.

Our mission is to help children to understand and believe in themselves, respect and care for others and to develop a wide understanding of faith, the world around them and their place within it. The determination of our youngsters to succeed, and the passion of our teachers to make a difference, makes me proud to be Chief Executive Officer of this diverse and dynamic family of academies.



### About the Trust

Archway Learning Trust, previously Bluecoat Academies Trust was formed in April 2014 as a result of the very long and successful history of Bluecoat Academy. The Trust comprises of Bluecoat Aspley Academy which includes the Sixth Form, Bluecoat Wollaton Academy, Bluecoat Beechdale Academy and Bluecoat Primary Academy and more recently the Trust are pleased to have had The Nottingham Emmanuel School join.

Our aim as a Trust is to be recognised nationally and internationally as we develop our innovative approach to inclusive, enriching and balanced cross curricular teaching, preparing young people for lifelong learning based firmly on our Christian principles.

The growth of the Trust is a truly exciting time for prospective candidates who are looking to further their careers in a dynamic learning community that has opportunity at every point to share and learn from each other in order to become the best that we can be.











Bluecoat Aspley Academy

Bluecoat Beechdale Academy Bluecoat Primary Academy Bluecoat Wollaton Academy Nottingham Emmanuel School

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## **Bluecoat Aspley Academy**

Bluecoat Aspley Academy has over 1500 students, including over 550 in the Sixth Form. Bluecoat Academy Aspley is the largest school in the Trust and was the founder of Archway Learning Trust (previously known as Bluecoat Academies Trust). The Academy is both distinctively Christian and inclusive with all students being part of the large, diverse and multi ethnic family that we are very proud to be a part of. Bluecoat Aspley Academy holds a strong and positive reputation within the city benefitting from its long history, success and prominent position.





## **Bluecoat Wollaton Academy**

Bluecoat Wollaton Academy has over 780 learners aged 11-16 and is both distinctively Christian and inclusive with a relentless ambition to enable every member of our Academy 'family' to be the best they can be. Bluecoat Wollaton was graded as 'Outstanding' in all categories in its recent Ofsted inspection in 2018 and has a strong pastoral and academic reputation across the city. It is also pioneering some new approaches to curriculum and the celebration of knowledge at the heart of that. The school's outcomes place it in the top 10% in the country and visitors frequently comment on how the children are polite and keen to learn.

# Bluecoat Beechdale Academy

Bluecoat Beechdale Academy is a growing school, with over 800 students on roll. The numbers have increased each year since our sponsorship began and we are delighted with the growing confidence that local families are expressing by making Beechdale their first choice school in increasing numbers. Bluecoat Beechdale Academy is not formally designated as a Church of England Academy, but shares the ethos and many of the Archway values.





# Bluecoat Primary Academy

Bluecoat Primary Academy opened in January 2015. The primary school is located nearer our Bluecoat Beechdale Academy in a brand new state of the art building on Harvey Road and this new accommodation will be home to 420 primary aged children; 26 three year olds and like Bluecoat Aspley and Bluecoat Wollaton Academy is both distinctively Christian and inclusive.

# The Nottingham Emmanuel School

The Nottingham Emmanuel School is a Church of England secondary and Sixth Form, with 1,000 students, including over 140 in the Sixth Form. The £25 million site is located near the banks of the River Trent in West Bridgford. The School is a diverse community, serving families and students from every academic, social, faith and ethnic background. Emmanuel has been praised nationally for its outstanding work as an effective, inclusive Church school.





## **Bluecoat SCITT**

Based at Sherwood Rise, the Bluecoat SCITT offers school based Teacher training in a range of schools and subjects. As an accredited provider of school based teacher training, we are committed to training OUTSTANDING teachers to work within the East Midlands region. Our comprehensive one year School Direct Training Programme is offered for both Primary and Secondary trainees, as well as a salaried option in certain subjects.

## Welcome from the Principal



Cath Rowell, Principal provides leadership to the Trusts successful and passionate Bluecoat Aspley Academy.

Bluecoat Aspley Academy offers a caring, nurturing and secure environment that enables every member of our academy to be the best they can be. We have high aspirations for ourselves, our students and the community we serve. Whilst we are extremely proud of our reputation for academic excellence, we place equal value on ensuring students grow and develop both personally and socially and leave us thoroughly prepared to become well rounded and successful citizens in a modern society.

We make no apologies for the high standards that we have here at Bluecoat Aspley Academy. We expect our staff to role model excellent behaviour, attendance and attitudes to learning for our students. We are absolutely delighted that during our recent Ofsted inspection our Personal Development and Welfare, as well as our Leadership and Management were rated as 'Outstanding' with an overall judgement of 'Good'. All at Bluecoat Aspley Academy are very proud of our rich history, faith and belief as well as our truly inclusive nature. Our vision is to ensure that all students make progress, regardless of their background, ability or starting point and we celebrate the impact of our specialist SEN provision on site.

We also expect our staff to be excellent too, by delivering inspirational teaching that ignites a love of learning and instils a belief in learners that anything is possible. Belief is central to all we do: we believe in ourselves, in others, in God and it is this belief that ensures Bluecoat Aspley Academy continues to offer the best educational experiences possible for our students, our staff and our community.

# The Vacancy

The Trust is seeking to appoint an experienced administrator to join our successful Post 16 Team as soon as possible to be responsible for providing an excellent administration service to our growing Sixth Form. The successful candidate will possess excellent administration, prioritisation, time-management and interpersonal skills and the ability to work well in a busy office environment.



Candidates should pay attention to the job description/person specification and explain within their application how they meet the criteria, whilst also describing what they will bring to the post from their own knowledge and experience.

The role will be based at the Trust's Bluecoat Aspley Academy but the post holders may at any time be required to support or work at any of the sites within Archway Learning Trust.



# **Applications**

For more information about Archway Learning Trust, please visit <a href="www.archwaytrust.co.uk">www.archwaytrust.co.uk</a>. To apply for the role please download the 'Support Staff Application Form' from the 'Vacancies' section on our website and submit to <a href="mailto:recruitmentbaa@archwaytrust.co.uk">recruitmentbaa@archwaytrust.co.uk</a> clearly demonstrating your suitability for the role.

Closing Date: 9am, Friday 6th December 2019

Interview Date: Week commencing Monday 9th December 2019

### **Vision & Ethos**

The vision statement of the Trust demonstrates its Christian ethos and faith foundation.

The Trust believes in the transformational power of education for each individual and that this is enhanced through collaborative working between the academies.

#### We believe:

- That a Christian ethos underpins and informs all that we do
- That the focus of the Trust is to promote collaboration between schools within a strategic locality in order to secure mutual improvement
- That through managed collaboration between academies there will be increased and improved opportunities for the development of all staff, students/children, parents and community
- In the development of a broad and balanced curriculum that supports young people's personal development and preparation for life
- That the family of academies within the Trust, working together, will secure continuity and progression for all
- That there should be high expectation for all children/students and young people whatever their circumstances or starting point and addressing disadvantage
- That, through its structures and work, the Trust can create and support effective Governance for all members
- That, through the Trust's work across its academies, expertise and capacity will be developed so that they can be supported with their development needs and economies of scale achieved

# Safeguarding Children and Young People

Archway Learning Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All staff and volunteers are therefore expected to behave in such a way that supports this commitment. Appointment to this post will be subject to the following satisfactory pre-employment checks:

- Health
- Identity
- Relevant work qualifications
- Right to work in the UK
- Barred List Check (previously List 99)
- Disclosure & Barring Service Check (for <u>all</u> staff and volunteers)
- References
- Childcare Disqualification Declaration Check (relevant Primary School posts only)

## **Job Description**

POST TITLE: OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR (POST 16)

GRADE: GRADE 5, POINTS 5-7

RESPONSIBLE TO: ADMINISTRATION MANAGER POST 16

#### **JOB PURPOSE**

To assist with the administration service of the Post 16 Centre ensuring effective and comprehensive provision to support the Head of Post 16 Education and the Post 16 Team, as well as the Trust and wider community.

#### **GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 1. Support the overall Christian ethos of the Trust.
- 2. Be aware of and comply with Trust policies and procedures including but not exhaustive of:
  - Acceptable Use of IT Policy
  - Code of Conduct
  - Extremism & Radicalisation Policy
  - Health, Safety and Security Policy & Guidance
  - Keeping Children Safe in Education (Part 1) Guidance
  - Safeguarding Policy and Training Slides
  - Whistleblowing Policy
  - IT Pack including Acceptable Use Statement
  - Health, Wellbeing and Benefits Policy
  - Finance Policy
- 3. Be aware of and support difference and ensure equal opportunities for all.
- 4. Contribute to the overall aims of the Trust and Academy Improvement Plans
- 5. To develop and implement own professional development and skills
- 6. To behave in a manner that is professional, friendly, fair with students and colleagues demonstrating and role modelling politeness and respectfulness
- 7. To demonstrate an excellent record of attendance and punctuality.
- 8. Work cooperatively as part of the Trust wide staff team
- 9. Undertaking any other duties which may reasonably be regarded as within the nature of the duties and responsibilities/grade of the post as defined.

#### **SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Cover the Post 16 Reception Area, answering the telephone, greeting and assisting visitors and offering guidance and advice to Post 16 student enquiries.
- Oversee the recording and monitoring of all student attendance data using Go4Schools and the electronic registration system.
- Manage attendance data and correspondence in line with the Trust attendance policy, including escalations to the Local Authority.
- Provide administrative support in the preparation and distribution of correspondence, marketing literature and course guides to parents/carers and students.
- Support the effective provision of the 16 19 bursary fund as directed by the Post 16 Administration Manager.
- Assist in the admission process through data input of student applications and enrolment forms using SIMS.
- Provide administrative support for the wide range of Sixth Form events to include: open evenings, parents evenings and taster days.
- Provide administrative support for trips and activities, receiving payments and record keeping.
- Co-ordinate the issue of lockers to students, using systems of recording ownership and fees paid, including the return of keys and deposits to be returned.

- Assist with producing the Sixth Form student bulletin under guidance from the Deputy Head of Post 16.
- Collating student files, tutor folders and filing.
- Order office stationary and ensuring the office is well equipped at all times.
- Co-ordinate the booking of rooms and AV equipment within the Post 16 Centre and process requests for any works to be carried out within the Centre.
- To provide secretarial support to the Head of Post 16 and members of the Post 16 Team under the guidance and support of the Post 16 Administration Manager.
- To liaise with the Christian Distinctiveness team and assist with the administration of the Act of Worship calendar.
- Provide first aid assistance as and when required to students, staff and visitors.
- Other reasonable tasks as requested.

#### **STAFF CONDUCT**

- All employees are expected to familiarise themselves and follow the Trust vision and ethos during their working lives with Archway Learning Trust.
- We are professional people and expect professional conduct (behaviour and language) based on mutual respect, good manners, politeness and common courtesies for all members of our community. We expect that at all times employees behave in a manner that role models positive behaviours for our students to follow.
- Physical violence, verbal abuse and swearing are unacceptable and not tolerated.
- Employees are expected to maintain a professional relationship with students.
- Staff will be fully supported by the Trust at all times in carrying out the behaviour policy.

#### **DRESS CODE**

• The Trust expect staff to wear professional business dress mirroring our high expectations of our student dress code.

PERSON SPECIFICATION – OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR POST 16		
	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
EDUCATION & TRAINING		
NVQ 2 or equivalent qualification or experience in Business Administration or other relevant discipline		*
Take responsibility for own professional development and be willing to	*	
partake in further in-service or external staff development and training.		
EXPERIENCE		
Previous experience of busy reception areas or administrative offices.	*	
Previous experience of working within an educational setting.		*
Previous administrative/ clerical experience.	*	
Previous working knowledge of SIMS.net database		*
An interest in office processes and systems	*	
Willingness to identify and develop own IT skills	*	
PROFESSIONAL SKILLS		
Communicate effectively verbally, in writing and through IT.	*	
Basic use of ICT packages	*	
Strong organisational and administrative skills	*	
Good interpersonal skills	*	
Good coaching and mentoring skills.		*
Work on own initiative with the ability to seek support and assistance where appropriate.	*	
Ability to prioritise own workload and manage conflicting deadlines	*	
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PERSONAL QUALITIES		
Confidence and independence	*	
Ability to work as part of a team understanding Academy roles and responsibilities and your own position within these.	*	
Builds and maintains effective relationships with colleagues and stakeholders in a fair and equitable manner.	*	
Good time management skills.	*	
Commitment to Equal Opportunities	*	
Confidence and independence	*	
Ability to work as part of a team understanding Academy roles and responsibilities and your own position within these.	*	
Builds and maintains effective relationships with colleagues and stakeholders in a fair and equitable manner.	*	
Suitability to work with children. Enhanced DBS check to be undertaken on appointment	*	
Willingness to contribute to extra-curricular activities		*

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