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Dear potential applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the post of Assistant Headteacher at The Blue Coat School, an outstanding 11-18 Church of England Comprehensive and Teaching School Hub (www.eastmanchesterteachinghub.com).

We are looking for someone with energy, enthusiasm and an absolute dedication to improving the life chances of our vulnerable young people, to ensure ALL our pupils achieve and succeed.

We are not looking for the finished article. We are looking for someone on the way up. Someone who is a quick learner and who shares our passion, dedication and absolute commitment that all pupils should succeed; whatever that looks like for them, regardless of their starting point or any barriers they face. We want someone who will go the extra mile for pupils, not because they are asked to, because they want to – someone who will give their time freely and unreservedly to support our young people and someone who will fight for them so that they get the absolute best, in every area of their lives.

The job description is broad and will be shaped to the strengths of the successful candidate but requires a comprehensive understanding of the EHCP process. We need someone who can lead a team, inspire pupils and the staff they work with and build strong relationships with our parents and carers. The successful candidate will shape the learning journey of our vulnerable pupils in every aspect of their school life; curriculum, teaching and learning, behaviour, and the wider enrichment opportunities they have access to. You will be supported by other members of the senior leadership team with this but will be expected to bring your own ideas, expertise and specialism to the role.

You will be part of an ambitious, energetic and forward-thinking leadership team. This role is ideal for someone who sees themselves as a deputy headteacher or headteacher in the future.

We offer the opportunity to be part of the senior leadership team in an outstanding school that is also heavily committed to wider system leadership and school improvement. Blue Coat is the lead school of the East Manchester Teaching Hub (EMTH) and the Manchester Nexus SCITT also operates out of Blue Coat. We are part of the Cranmer Education Trust which includes St. Anne's Academy (Rochdale), two primary schools – East Crompton St. George's and Mayfield and from September 2022 the Trust will also open The Brian Clarke Academy, which is a new secondary school in Oldham.

This is an exciting role. This is a post for a dedicated, energetic and creative professional who wants to progress through senior leadership. The demands are varied, interesting and developmental, and will put you at the heart of a continuously improving school at an exciting stage in its development











There is a wealth of information about our school on our website (www.blue-coat.org) and about Cranmer Education Trust on www.cranmereducationtrust.com. All the school's data can be found on the DfE website. We are happy to arrange a confidential visit at a convenient time through our HR Manager, Mrs Heather Johnson (hjohnson@blue-coat.org). Full details about the post and the process and application are included in the pack.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr R. Higgins Headteacher

The Blue Coat School



