PARTNERSHIPS | OPPORTUNITY | INTEGRITY | EQUITY | EXCELLENCE | PEOPLE-CENTRE



# RECRUITMENT PACK

Caretaker





# Welcome from the CEO

Dear Candidate.

Thank you for your interest in the position of Caretaker at Consilium Academies.

At Consilium, we believe in enriching lives and inspiring ambitions through our values of:

**Partnerships** 

Opportunity

Integrity

Excellence

Equity

Being people-centred

We recognise the unique value of each individual, whether they are staff or students and are dedicated to ensuring that every member of our Trust reaches their full potential. To achieve this, we collaborate with stakeholders and external organisations to build relationships that enhance opportunities for all members across the Trust.

Our focus on being people-centred extends to providing exceptional professional development for all members of our Trust, including teaching and support staff. This commitment is reflected in our Centre for Professional Learning, where colleagues have access to tailored training opportunities and resources to meet their specific needs.

We firmly believe that every student, regardless of their background deserves an excellent education and an equal opportunity to fulfil their potential. This vision guides us in creating an environment where every pupil can thrive.

As part of our Trust, our academies align with collective aims, including prioritising holistic development of pupils academically, socially and emotionally. We aim to instil a passion for lifelong learning and continual improvement among our academies, staff and students, empowering them to pursue their aspirations and ambitions. Our goal is to create a family of academies that is inclusive and embraces diversity, fostering a supportive community where all members feel inspired and empowered to succeed. We also value our stakeholders as partners in our collaborative efforts with the communities we serve.

Consilium Academies is currently undergoing significant development with numerous opportunities for all staff. Joining us now presents an exciting prospect for professional and personal growth.

Michael McCarthy

Chief Executive Officer of Consilium Academies.



# Welcome from the Headteacher

Dear Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in working at Ellesmere Park High School.

Our aims as a school are founded on the values that are encapsulated by our motto 'Vibrant, Inclusive, Proud'. We will ensure that all of our students experience the fullness of life by:

- Providing them with an exciting, engaging and rich education;
- Recognising and celebrating the unique nature of every child in our community;
- Celebrating the successes of our school and our community to the full.

I am very clear in what I want our school to deliver to our current and future students: the education that they deserve in a school that prepares them for successful and enriching lives. They deserve the very best education that can be provided. My leadership of the school will be defined by a desire to deliver this, to serve our community and to help make the ambitions of our community and young people a reality.

We are seeking to appoint a qualified, creative and enthusiastic individual to join our motivated team in a School that is committed to offering a warm, friendly and purposeful setting for all our students to flourish.

I can't think of a better time to join Ellesmere Park High School as we look forward to an exciting and bright future.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

J I Ross Headteacher







Ellesmere Park High School is a co-educational academy, part of Consilium Academies, based in Salford, with approximately 750 students on role.

Our values of Vibrant, Inclusive, Proud are at the core of everything we do.

Vibrant: Our school is a vibrant school, where all are encouraged to be expressive, creative and enjoy their learning in a positive atmosphere.

Inclusive: Our school is an inclusive school, where all are valued and thrive in a safe, caring and supportive environment. We welcome everyone to our diverse community and encourage friendly and mutually respectful relationships.

Proud: Our school is a proud school, where all aspire to be successful in whatever they do. We strive to enable all to be lifelong learners, equipped to fulfil our dreams.

We aspire to make education lively, memorable and exciting. Ellesmere Park welcomes and nurtures people from diverse backgrounds with wide-ranging talents and abilities, and we actively strive to remove barriers.

Ellesmere Park High School will always strive to fulfil each child's potential and provide our students with a broad and balanced curriculum which will enable them to move on to college or work with the right skills and qualifications needed to maximise their life chances.



# **About the Trust**

#### The Consilium Mission

"Enriching Lives, Inspiring Ambitions"

We are proud to be Consilium Academies, a Trust that believes in the unique value of each individual. Our vision, actions, and purpose are guided by this principle and a dedication to do all we can for the communities we serve.

We never put a ceiling on potential. Instead, we work with our Academies to provide high-quality education that is truly inclusive, giving every student the same opportunities to develop the skills and knowledge they need to thrive in life beyond the classroom.

We are committed to enriching the lives of all those involved in our Trust through an ambitious, student-centred approach to education.

Consilium Academies is a Multi-Academy Trust consisting of nine schools based across three hubs in Salford, South Yorkshire, and the North East of England.

We believe in inclusivity, both in the schools and communities we serve and are committed to working with our Academies to ensure our ethos is realised on a daily basis.

- The lives of our young people should be enriched by care, experience, and opportunity. This is achieved by;
- helping children and young people to succeed to their potential academically, socially, and emotionally;
- instilling a passion for lifelong love of learning and continued improvement so that our academies, staff, and students achieve their aspirations and ambitions;
- creating a family of academies that are inclusive and embrace diversity, where all members of the community feel supported, inspired, and empowered to succeed;
- ensuring all stakeholders are seen as partners in our work within the communities we serve.

The Trust operates a Central Team led by our Interim Chief Executive, Tracey Greenough. The team provide direct services to our schools as well as Trust-level accountability, leadership, and management. We operate a strong partnership model and our partner schools are instrumental in the continual growth and development of our Trust. We work with our schools in a supportive way that does not detract from the individual identity of a school, instead allows them to grow and focus on student achievement and success.

#### WE ARE PROUD TO OFFER THE FOLLOWING STAFF BENEFITS:

- Pension with the Local Government Pension Scheme and Teachers Pension Scheme
- 34 days annual leave plus bank holidays for all support staff (pro-rated for part-time employees)
- 36 hour working week for all full-time support staff
- Automatic pay progression for all staff in line with their current grading structure
- Enhanced contractual sick pay in line with the Burgundy Book and Green Book
- Employee Assistance Program with access to counselling and CBT 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Access to an Occupational Health Provider
- Free membership to Vivup. with hundreds of exclusive offers and discounts available online and in store at many shops, gyms, and restaurants
- An excellent CPD offer for every member of staff; to help you perform as well as you can in your role, provide you with a sense of wellbeing at work and to help you reach your career aspirations



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# **About the Role**

Job Title: Caretaker

Start date: 5th August 2024

Hours: Full time

**Contract:** Permanent

**Salary:** Grade 4 (NJC SCP 6 – 8) £23,893 to £24,702

Do you have the drive, passion and commitment to deliver outstanding support? This is an opportunity to join a dedicated team of staff at Ellesmere Park High School, part of Consilium Academies who are committed to providing the best possible education for our pupils.

We are looking for an experienced, friendly and hard-working Caretaker to join our team.

We are looking for:

- An inclusive individual, with high expectations of their students, who is committed to maximising rates of progress and has innovative ideas to support all pupils
- Someone with a sense of humour, who understands the importance of developing a positive culture in our organisation.

If you feel you share our values, have the vision and drive for excellence and want to be part of an enthusiastic and dedicated team, committed to ensuring that students fulfil their potential, then we would like to hear from you.

The successful candidate will present the best possible example of professional standards to colleagues.

To apply please download and complete the attached application form. Please note we do not accept CV's. We ask that all completed application forms are sent to Hayley Silcock at Hayley.silcock@consilium-at.com

Please ensure that within your application you provide the names, addresses, and contact details for two referees, one of whom should be your current or most recent employer.

The closing date for applications is 23rd July 2024

#### Interviews will take place on a date TBC

Consilium Academies is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Appointments are made subject to an Enhanced DBS Check, and where applicable, a prohibition from teaching check will be completed for all applicants.

In accordance with our statutory obligations under Keeping Children Safe in Education Consilium Academies is required to conduct an online search as part of our due diligence on shortlisted candidates. This may help identify any incidents or issues that have happened, and are publicly available online, which Consilium Academies might want to explore with you. Further information on online searches can be found in paragraph 221 of Keeping Children Safe in Education.

The Trust is an equal opportunity employer. We celebrate diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all employees.

Under Part 7 of the Immigration Act 2016, the Public Sector fluency duty requires state funded schools to ensure candidates for their customer facing roles have the necessary standard of spoken English.

Please note: If you have not been contacted within one week of the closing date please assume that your application has been unsuccessful on this occasion. We are unable to provide feedback on individual applications. Applications received after the closing time stated will not be considered.



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Job Description		
Job Title:	Caretaker	
Reports to:	Site Manager	
Based at:	Ellesmere Park High School	

## Main purpose of the Role

- To support the delivery of all facilities matters at the school, including day to day hard and soft services.
- To deliver caretaking support to the school ensuring that the premises are well maintained, and operational services are provided to a high standard.
- To contribute to an overall safe environment for users of the school premises and ensure compliance with health and safety and operational standards as required.
- To ensure the school is operational and its facilities are functioning correctly.

#### Core Responsibilities & Tasks

#### Health and Safety

- Follow safe working practices when carrying out required duties, ensuring that procedures are adhered to and accurate records are maintained.
- Undertake dynamic risk assessments as directed in line with health and safety regulations and ensure agreed RA's are followed accordingly
- Work closely with the Site Manager and health and safety team to ensure best practice is achieved, including making recommendations and changes where required.
- Support the school senior team and wider trust colleagues to manage incidents and deliver an effective business continuity plan when required.
- Carry out routine tasks to underpin and contribute to the effective maintenance of records and information, including daily checks and inspections in accordance with industry best practice as directed by the site manager.
- Carry out routine tasks to underpin and contribute to the school's fire safety requirements including inspections, processes, and daily checks.

#### Financial Management

- Support the Site Manager to ensure availability of critical spares and stocks required for the day-to-day management of the site.
- To abide by the Trust Financial Procedures document.

#### Site Security

- Act as a secondary keyholder for the school and respond to call outs and emergencies as required to include securing site following damage.
- Ensure the correct use of security systems, including locks, alarms and CCTV ensuring their function and reporting issues for repair.
- Participate in site cover, following shifts and rotas to provide sufficient staffing at the school to meet the opening times required.
- Be responsible for opening and locking the school in accordance with shift requirements.
- To ensure contractors are correctly supervised and overseen whilst on site as directed by the site manager.
- To support the Site Manager in provision of fully operational CCTV provision in accordance with CCTV Policy. This may involve collaborative working with IT and external providers.

## Maintenance Management

- Ensure that all property and grounds are maintained in accordance with agreed programmes and to established standards.
- Respond to repair requests from the school helpdesk within the timescale given. Ensure that identified repairs are completed to a high standard or escalated to the site manager for completion by a contractor.
- Monitor plant and equipment to ensure it is operational and properly maintained in a safe working condition.



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- Ensure that all programmes for inspection and repair are undertaken within the required timescale escalating issues to the Site Manager when necessary.
- Carry out planned and reactive maintenance tasks under direction of the Site Manager as required across a multiskilled range of work.
- Monitor the function and provision of all services, taking reading of meters and reporting issues or hazards to the Site Manager.
- Carry out ground's maintenance duties to the school and playing fields which fall outside of SLA Grounds provision.
- Be responsible for keeping accurate records of duties undertaken to assist the Site Manager.
- To form and maintain positive relationships with external contractors whilst providing a level of first line challenge and accountability on behalf of the school

#### Housekeeping

- Carry out the porterage of goods, furniture, and equipment on behalf of the school.
- To respond accordingly to the schools cleaning requirements outside of the SLA provision or responsibilities of school cleaning team.
- Carry out waste collection and management around the school premises as directed by the Site Manager.
- Ensure compliance with environmental and sustainability requirements.
- Carry out housekeeping checks of the premises and grounds to ensure the site is clean, tidy, and safe for occupation.
- Check and restock all consumables in line with the work schedule, ensuring stocks are well managed.
- Carry out emergency deep cleans as required.
- Respond to weather events to clear ice, snow or minor flooding as required by the emergency management plan.
- Establish routines to ensure staff and student Safeguarding remains paramount to carry out dynamic, visual checks throughout the shift and report/act accordingly.
- To ensure high standard of estates support is delivered all year round.

## **Capital Projects and Minor Works**

Assist the central estate team with maintenance projects, including escorting contractors and escalating issues to management when discovered.

#### Corporate Responsibilities

- The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.
- To pursue and promote the achievement and integration of diversity and equality of opportunity throughout the Trust's activities.
- The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.
- To plan, monitor and review health and safety within areas of personal control.
- To participate in the Trust's Professional Development Review process and engage in continuous professional development and networking to ensure that professional skills and knowledge are up to date.
- To maintain high professional standards of attendance, punctuality, appearance, conduct and positive, courteous relations with students, parents and colleagues.

#### **Additional Notes**

- The job purpose and key statements remain indicative and by no means exclusive. Given the evolving needs of the Trust, flexibility among staff is very important. All staff may be required to undertake other such reasonable duties as may be required from time to time in line with the grade of their post.
- An Enhanced DBS Check will be requested on successful application to a position at the Trust or Academy.

#### **Review Arrangements**

The details contained in this job description reflect the content of the job at the date it was prepared. It should be remembered, however, that it is inevitable that over time, the nature of individual jobs will change, existing duties may no longer be required and other duties may be gained without changing the general nature of the duties or the level of responsibility entailed. Consequently, the Trust will expect to revise this job description from time to time and will consult with the post holder at the appropriate time.



Person Specification		
	Essential	Desirable
Experience & Skills		
Proven experience of working in a practical role maintaining facilities or premises.	✓	
Ability to organise and prioritise workloads in a demanding environment.	✓	
A working knowledge of buildings and carrying out first line repairs.	✓	
Knowledge of relevant procedures for cleaning and security in an education environment	✓	
A working knowledge of relevant health and safety processes	✓	
Competent with standard ICT applications and web-based platforms	✓	
Ability to provide informative, concise reports in both written and verbal format	<b>√</b>	
Qualifications		
Competent and/or qualified in the use of small tools	✓	
First Aider — (Must be agreeable to be trained and used within school rota (mainly for staff, lettings, evening working with cleaning staff)	<b>√</b>	
IWFM Level 2 or similar		✓
Caretaking NVQ Level 2		✓
Recognised trade qualification in plumbing or electrical.		✓
Current first aid at work qualification		✓
IPAF certified		✓
PASMA certified		✓
Personal Attributes		
Personal pride in promoting a high standard and contributing to a positive image of the school.	✓	
An active member of the facilities team, as and when required to ensure high workloads are resolved.	✓	
A proven track record of adapting to change, using creativity, and working with others to develop good relationships.	✓	
An ability to work at pace with physical effort as required to achieve manual tasks.	✓	
Remain flexible with working hours if required to support the academy	✓	
Forward thinking, solution focussed	✓	