



Job Description & Person Specification

Catering Assistant

JOB DESCRIPTION

Title of Post:	Catering Assistant
Scale / Point:	Fixed Point 2
Responsible to:	Headteacher, Catering Manager
Liaison with:	Catering Manager, Catering Team

Job Purpose:	Performs a variety of manual tasks associated with food production and food services in the school kitchen.
Duties:	<p>Food Preparation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Baking and decorating all cakes and tray bakes for the school canteen.• Basic food preparation e.g. vegetables, salads, cakes, pizza, pasta.• Preparation of all food types.• Cleaning and clearing of food production areas, including laundry and toilet areas. <p>Food Service:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To prepare counters and dining areas for service• Service of hot and cold food and beverages• Replenishing and tidying of counters• Clearing and cleaning of all areas of the kitchen during preparation, during service and end of day cleaning.• Act on direction from duty manager during the course of the day. In a safe and purposeful manner.• Meet all daily targets at requested times for each service window• Perform all tasks in a safe and hygienic manner• Assist all staff where needed in a team environment with a "can do" initiative and attitude• Is enthusiastic and hard working in all duties• Have the ability to work under pressure and on their own in some aspects of the job• Able to solve and resolve any day to day issues without direct supervision• Organises and prioritises tasks and sees them through to completion• Be professional in contact with our customer base• Operate a till in biometric and money forms and take on the correct procedures in their operation
General:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participate in the performance and development review process, taking personal responsibility for identification of learning,



	<p>development, and training opportunities in discussion with their line manager</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comply with individual responsibilities, in accordance with the role, for health & safety in the workplace • Comply with Data Protection Act 2018 and GDPR requirements in all working practices maintaining confidentiality, integrity, availability, accuracy, currency, and security of information as appropriate. Take personal responsibility for all personal data within own working environment • Ensure that all duties and services provided are in accordance with the Trust's Equality & Diversity Policy • Bridge Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All Staff are expected to confirm they have read and understood KCSIE part one, annually each September.
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PERSON SPECIFICATION

Criteria	Qualities	Essential/ Desirable
Qualifications & Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 2 Food Safety (or NVQ equivalent). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D
Knowledge & Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic understanding of food safety regulations and hygiene practices in a catering environment. • Previous experience in a customer-facing role, ideally within the hospitality or catering industry. • Familiarity with food preparation, presentation, and serving techniques. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E • E • E
Skills and attributes	<p>Ability to work collaboratively with colleagues to ensure smooth operations.</p> <p>Clear and effective communication with team members and customers.</p> <p>Ensuring food quality, presentation, and cleanliness meet high standards.</p> <p>Ability to prioritise tasks and work efficiently under pressure, especially during busy periods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Willingness to learn and adjust to new procedures or changing demands 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E • E • E • E • E
Personal qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Punctual and dependable in fulfilling duties and shifts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Friendly and approachable demeanor, providing excellent customer service.• Ability to remain calm and focused in a fast-paced environment.• Genuine interest in food service and a commitment to ensuring customer satisfaction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• E• E• E
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Committed to equality and diversity.• Commitment to own continuous personal and professional development.• Committed to our Health and Safety policies and procedures.• Compliance to Data Protection Act 2018 and GDPR principles/requirements.• Committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• E• E• E• E• E

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