

Recruitment Pack



Catering & Hospitality Assistant
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School ready; Work ready; Life ready

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Horizon Community College: Our Vision

The economic, cultural and social landscape of Barnsley is changing. Opportunities in further education, higher education and professional roles are increasing; opportunities for individuals to shape their own career pathways are growing; opportunities for individuals to challenge traditional socio-economic patterns are multiplying.

At Horizon Community College, our responsibility is to prepare students for this reality. We want young people to leave the College well qualified and with a unique skill set that will enable them to stand out from the crowd. We want young people to be in possession of a passport of qualifications and employability skills that will enable them to pursue exciting careers, attend prestigious universities, complete dynamic apprenticeships and play leading roles in regenerating this area and beyond.

Our curriculum is tailored to the needs of and meets our ambition for each individual student. This is underpinned by the College's core values which help to prepare every student for a lifetime of success. Our Curriculum and Culture ambition:

- aims to **challenge every learner, in every lesson, every day**
- develops the character and skill set of all, through the belief that we are **'Positive Role Models'**
- ensures **opportunities for all** through our personal development and Careers and Enterprise programmes.

Successful education is also about working in close partnership with our families and the community to ensure our students succeed in each School year and are prepared for the next appropriate phase of their education. We work together to empower our students to believe that anything and everything is possible.

We heavily invest in the growth and development of our entire workforce, so they are also prepared for the next phase of their careers. We promote 'one team' working hard to support each other. We are focused on continued professional development for staff at every level.

We embed a curriculum and culture that results in Equity of Opportunity, Strong Community, High Expectations, Global Readiness and Kindness so that our students are School ready; Work ready; Life ready.



Claire Huddart
Principal

We are delighted that you are applying for a role at Horizon Community College, and hope that this document will inform you about how we aim to provide the very best secondary education in Barnsley and beyond.

STRATEGIC FOCUS







VISION: School Ready; Work Ready; Life Ready

PURPOSE

- Challenging Every Learner, in Every Lesson, Every Day
- Developing Positive Role Models
- Opportunities for All

Quality of Education Know More, Remember More, Do More				Behaviour & Attitudes				Personal Development				Leadership & Management			
Curriculum	Teaching & Learning	Assessment	Positive Attitudes	Relationships	Attendance	Identity	Engagement	Opportunity	Vision & Ethos	Safeguarding & Wellbeing	Growth & Inclusivity				
• Students access a broad, balanced, and ambitious curriculum that meets all statutory requirements. • Students develop sequenced knowledge and skills within each subject, supporting strong progress and outcomes. • Students are supported to succeed through an accessible and appropriate curriculum that promotes equity and inclusion.	• Students benefit from consistently high-quality, responsive teaching that drives sustained progress. • Students apply their knowledge and skills to deepen understanding, which is regularly checked and reinforced. • Students develop independence and metacognitive skills that prepare them for post-16 pathways and lifelong success.	• Students make strong progress, particularly towards Expected Standards at KS3 and Achievement Grades at KS4. • Students benefit from teaching that is informed by assessment data, enabling effective planning, adaptive instruction, and targeted support. • Students build the skills, confidence, and independence needed to prepare effectively for their GCSE examinations.	• Student conduct is exemplary in lessons, during unstructured time and in the local community. • Students demonstrate a consistently positive attitude towards learning and they embody the College Core Values. • Positive role models are recognised and celebrated.	• Students and staff have zero tolerance for bullying, harassment and child-on-child abuse. • Everyone takes appropriate action to ensure all students feel safe. Relationships are based on mutual respect. Restorative practice is valued by all.	• Students value their learning time and this is reflected in their high attendance and punctuality. • All students, regardless of need, are supported to attend and be on time.	• Students understand how they are developing physically, mentally and socially. • Students appreciate what makes them unique but also celebrate what brings them together.	• Students contribute to the benefit of themselves and those around them. • Students support their local community, charities and the environment.	• Students take use of the experiences Horizon has to offer them. • Students are supported to make choices about their future aspirations.	A culture where: • Everyone is school ready. • Everyone is work ready. • Everyone is life ready.	A culture where: • Everyone feels safe. • Everyone feels supported. • Everyone feels valued.	A culture where: • Everyone is considered. • Everyone is included. • Everyone is developed.				
Curriculum Framework & Overviews	Teaching & Learning Framework	Assessment Framework	Praise & Rewards	Role of the Form Tutor	SEND & Wellbeing	Character Education	Student Voice & Votes for School	Enrichment beyond the Curriculum	Governance	Workload	Staff CPD				
QoE Review Process	CPD to RAISE standards	Accountability Measures	Clear, consistent graduated consequences	Recognise, Report, Record & Refer	Personalised Provision	Citizenship & RSHE	Supporting Local, National & International Causes	Student Ambassadors & Leadership	Policy & Practice	Robust Safeguarding Practice	Communication & Engagement				
National Curriculum & Exam Specifications	Evidence-based Pedagogy	Data-driven Practice	Character in the Classroom	Restorative Conversations	Student Engagement	Cultural Literacy, Diversity & Equality	Student Council & Democracy in action	Careers & Enterprise	Finance	Wellbeing: Staff/students	Inclusive Practice				
Core Values												Respect		Kindness	
Aspiration		Independence		Resilience		Pride						Respect		Kindness	
Having High Expectations of Yourself				Taking Responsibility For Your Learning				Individual Liberty				Taking Ownership of Your Learning			
Democracy				The Rule of Law				British Values				Mutual Respect and Tolerance			

Core Values

 <p>ASPIRATION</p> <p>We aim to be the very best that we can be. We are curious, ambitious and have a strong desire to achieve.</p>	 <p>PRIDE</p> <p>We are proud to be students at Horizon. We produce work of the highest quality; we have the confidence to celebrate our success; we respect our environment.</p>	 <p>RESILIENCE</p> <p>We never give up. We face challenges with confidence and respond positively to feedback.</p>	 <p>KINDNESS</p> <p>We are thoughtful and considerate to others. We are caring, supportive, friendly and generous in all we do.</p>
 <p>INDEPENDENCE</p> <p>We take responsibility for our success. We take control of our future.</p>	 <p>RESPECT</p> <p>We treat others the way we would like to be treated. We celebrate that everyone is different, we are inclusive, and we embrace diversity.</p>		

Child Safeguarding Policy

The College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. A Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check will be undertaken for the successful applicant.

The College pays full regard to DfES guidance 'Safeguarding Children and Safer Recruitment in Education' Jan 2007. We ensure that all appropriate measures are applied in relation to everyone who works for Horizon who is likely to be perceived by the children as a safe and trustworthy adult including e.g. volunteers and staff employed by contractors. Safer recruitment practice includes scrutinising applicants, verifying identity and academic or vocational qualifications, obtaining professional and character references, checking previous employment history and ensuring that a candidate has the health and physical capacity for the job. It also includes undertaking interviews and an Enhanced DBS check.

Please note that it is an offence to apply for a role in a school and/or working with children if you are barred from engaging in regulated activity relevant to children.

Please note that an online search will be carried out for all shortlisted candidates. This includes a search on the world wide web and relevant social media sites.

Please visit: <https://horizoncc.co.uk/safeguarding/>

Vacancy Details

Role: Catering & Hospitality Assistant

Salary: Grade 1 - £24,413 (Actual Salary - £9,189 plus [Living Wage](#))

Hours Per Week: 15 (12.00pm to 3.00pm, Monday to Friday)

Type: Permanent, term time only plus 2 INSET days

Closing Date: Wednesday 17 September 2025 at 12 noon

We are seeking to appoint a Catering and Hospitality Assistant to work within the Catering and Hospitality department to ensure that food is prepared and served to the highest standards in a timely manner in the best environment.

Main duties include:

- Undertaking the supervision of students in and around the College during break, while on corridors and during lunch times.
- The preparation of ingredients and cooking as directed by the Catering and Hospitality Leads.
- Serving meals and clearing tables.
- General kitchen duties.
- Other duties around college departments as directed.

Previous experience of working in a kitchen or catering environment is desirable.

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Horizon Community College reserve the right to close this advert prior to the closing date above.

Job Description

JOT TITLE: Catering & Hospitality Assistant

GRADE: 1

RESPONSIBLE TO: Director of Catering & Hospitality

EMPLOYEE SUPERVISION: None

Purpose of Post:

Working within the Catering and Hospitality department to ensure that food is prepared and served to the highest standards in a timely manner in the best environment.

Key Areas:

- Undertake the supervision of students in and around the College during break, while on corridors and during lunch times.
- The preparation of ingredients and cooking as directed by the Catering and Hospitality Leads.
- Serving meals and clearing tables.
- General kitchen duties.
- Other duties around college departments as directed.

Duties and Responsibilities:

Catering Duties:

- Undertake the preparation of ingredients and basic cooking.
- Assist with the serving of meals at various service points under the direction of the Catering leadership.
- Undertake all general kitchen duties including washing up, cleaning and clearing utensils, cleaning equipment and cleaning kitchen and dining room surfaces and floors.
- Assist in the dining room and other designated areas with the clearing of waste and the cleaning of service utensils and service counters/trolleys etc.
- Serve all customers in an efficient and courteous manner.
- Ensure that the Catering leads are informed of any complaints.
- Undertake duties to ensure compliance with all instructions relating to kitchen hygiene rules and the operation of HACCP procedures.

General Duties:

- Supervise students at break and lunchtime within the buildings and grounds of the College, including the Canteen, ensuring that health and safety practices are adhered to.
- During poor weather, ensure students are in their designated areas at break and lunch time and help to maintain a safe environment through appropriate supervision.
- Report any incidents or concerns about behaviour or safety of students to the relevant member of staff.
- Provide additional support throughout the day to individual departments as required.
- Ensure work zones are clean and tidy including wiping tables and surfaces, picking up litter and report maintenance issues to the Facilities Team.

Support for the School:

- Be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to an appropriate person.
- Ensure every child is valued for who they are and that all pupils have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop.
- Contribute to the overall ethos, work and aims of the College.
- Attend and participate in regular meetings.
- Participate in training and other learning activities and performance development as required.
- Recognise own strengths and areas of expertise and use these to advise and support others.

The above duties are not exhaustive and the postholder may be required to undertake tasks, roles and responsibilities as may be reasonably assigned to them by the Principal.

Employee Specification

When filling in the application form, please demonstrate with clear, concise examples how you would meet the requirements of the post. You will be assessed in relation to the Essential and Minor criteria. Please bear in mind that you must possess the Essential Criteria on day 1 to be able to do the job. If there are large numbers of applications for the post then all of the criteria will be used for shortlisting. Under the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA), we recognise and welcome our responsibility to remove any barriers in our recruitment and selection process. We have tried to assess this in our Job Description and Employee Specification, however if you feel that there are barriers, please tell us in the application form. As part of the DDA, we are committed to making reasonable adjustments, wherever possible and it would help us to know your needs in order to do this.

Attributes	Criteria	How Identified (either Application Form or Interview)	Rank (Essential/ Desirable)
Relevant Experience	Experience of working as part of a team	Application Form/Interview	Essential
	Experience of working in a large-scale commercial kitchen environment	Application Form/Interview	Desirable
	Experience of working with young people	Application Form/Interview	Desirable
Education and Training Attainments	Minimum 4 GCSE's including English and Maths (Grade 9-2 or equivalent)	Application Form/Interview/Certificates	Desirable
	Level 2 qualification in Catering (or equivalent)	Application Form/Interview/Certificates	Desirable
	Current Food Hygiene Certificate	Application Form/Interview/Certificates	Desirable
	HACCP Certification Level 2 or above	Application Form/Interview/Certificates	Desirable
	Health and Safety Training/Certification	Application Form/Interview/Certificates	Desirable
General and Special Knowledge	Up to date knowledge of Food Nutritional Standards applicable to schools	Application Form/Interview	Desirable
	General IT knowledge	Application form/Interview	Desirable
Skills and Abilities	Literacy and numeracy skills	Interview/Certificates	Essential
	Professional attitude and approach	Interview	Essential

	Ability to work to tight timescales and follow instructions	Interview	Essential
	Good communication skills	Interview	Essential
	Commitment to the safeguarding and promotion of the welfare of children and young people.	Application Form/Interview	Essential
Additional Factors	A willingness to take part in training and development opportunities as required.	Application form	Essential

In compiling this, please refer to the Section 'Review Job Description and Employee Specification' in the Recruitment and Selection Code of Practice.

The Application Process

Please read the Guidance Notes for Applicants before completing an application form.

The candidates selected for interview will be informed after shortlisting and full details of the interview process will be provided.

This is an exciting and rewarding role and we look forward to receiving your application.

For more information about working at Horizon and the fantastic benefits we offer our staff please visit www.horizoncc.co.uk.

Should you wish to discuss the role further please contact us on 01226 704230.