



Primary
Academy

Class Teacher Application Pack

Great Heath Academy
Mildenhall, Suffolk



EMPLOYER RECOGNITION SCHEME

GOLD AWARD 2021

Proudly serving those who serve.

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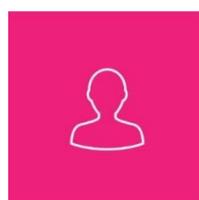
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01. About Academy Transformation Trust

Our Vision

We have one core purpose:

To have the biggest positive impact in the varied communities we serve through ensuring top drawer education for our learners. #TransformingLives

How do we ensure this across our trust?

In all we do we are:

1. Ethical to the core, ensuring that education is always front and centre
2. Futures focused system leaders – never simply followers
3. Collaborative in every endeavour
4. Resolutely learner centred

What does this look like across our trust?

Education

We are:

1. Ruthlessly ambitious for all who learn and work with us
2. Unwaveringly inclusive – determined on eradicating barriers to educational success
3. Committed to excellent teaching
4. Determined upon academic excellence for all in our communities
5. Compassionate, ethical and caring advocates for all in our communities
6. Outwardly facing and globally conscious

Operations

We are:

1. Committed to the very best people development and empowerment
2. Determined to shout loudly and share proudly our successes
3. The best professional and technical experts (supporting education) in the sector
4. Committed to the very best understanding and management of risk

Wellbeing

At Academy Transformation Trust we put our people's welfare and wellbeing at the centre of everything and we know that this is more than just cake in the staff room on a Friday (although that is nice too!) Our Wellbeing Strategy covers 4 key areas: Working Environment, Personal Growth, Health and Lifestyle Initiatives and Culture.

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

On our journey of *#transforminglives*, we are building a Diverse and Inclusive Community. We are aspiring to promote our Inclusivity, via Curriculum and Employee engagement. Together, we want to break down barriers, enjoy each individual and celebrate the value they bring to our Trust Family.

Our Values

- We will work inclusively within our communities, embracing the varied localities we serve while sharing our common vision and values.
- We will develop the very best leaders of the future, working to improve education and transform lives.
- We will adhere unwaveringly to the 'Nolan Principles' of Public Service, which is made clear in our commitment to Ethical Leadership.

Financial

We are:

1. Providing the best possible public service for the best possible value
2. Determined to supplement our public income with shrewd income generation
3. Building financially sustainable models of educational improvement in our communities
4. Demonstrably efficient in all we do



FAST FACTS ABOUT OUR TRUST

Our cross-phase group of academies was founded in 2011 and, since that time, we have grown to our current family of 21 academies (primary, secondary, post-16 and FE) operating across 10 English local authority areas. We are responsible for the education of over 12,500 learners; for the careers of almost 2,000 colleagues; and for the most effective spending of over £80 million of taxpayer income each year.

ATT Institute
42 Leadership Development pathways across all our directorates

Strategic Aims

- To plan and deliver a curriculum which enables students to re-integrate with learning, delivers improving progress and outcomes for all learners and demonstrates that lessons have been learned from the pandemic experience
- To create the conditions in which our people can demonstrate independent, thoughtful and confident behaviours in pursuit of our vision and aims
- To continue to improve our financial performance alongside an enhanced reputation in business operations and governance



Finance Headline Figures

- We receive £78 million in funding and other income

Headline Performance Measures

- Record progress scores for many of our primary academies in 2019
- Rising attainment 8 and progress 8 rates for three years running across all secondary academies
- Rising Key Stage 5 average points scores across all academies for three years



ATT | 21 Academies

Local Authority Areas | 10



Staff | 1739

Primary | 429

Secondary | 1145

Special | 28

FE | 67

Other | 70



Learners | 12,505

Primary | 2711

Secondary | 8451

Special | 45

FE | 1298

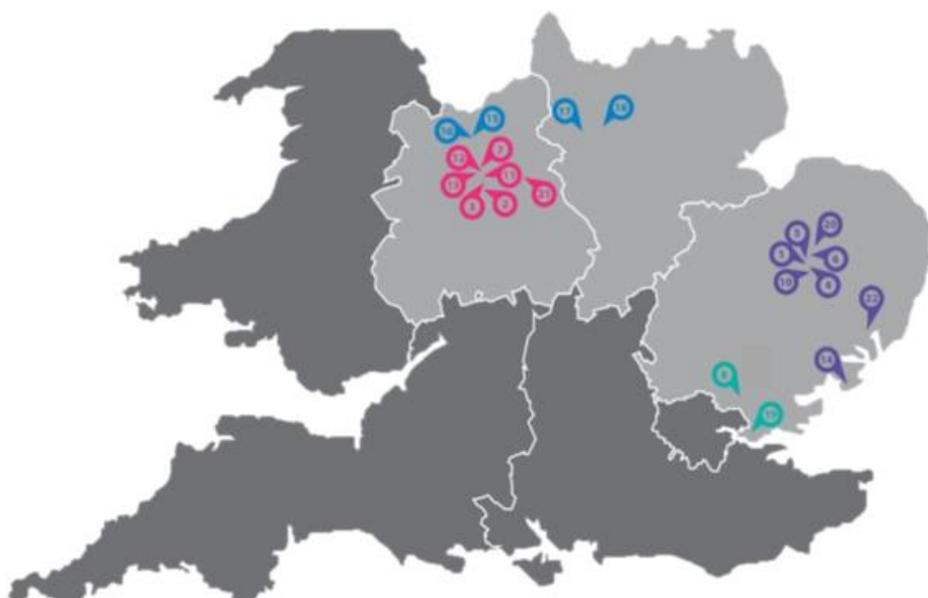


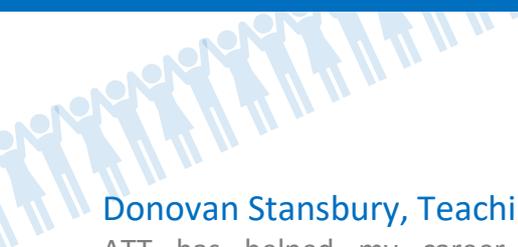
Governance

People Engaged | Over 120

Trustees | 11

Members | 5





Donovan Stansbury, Teaching Assistant

ATT has helped my career from the very beginning of my adult life. I started my career at Mildenhall College Academy on a Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship, provided by ATT FE. Now with my knowledge and understanding of my role I can succeed further with the support of ATT. I have completed my apprenticeship and now have a full-time role as Teaching Assistant at the academy. My next step is to start an OU degree, again something I will do with the full support of ATT.

Martin Sexton, Lead for Computer Science and STEM Coordinator

Working for ATT has given me many opportunities to progress my career. A move from Westbourne Academy to Mildenhall College Academy 5 years ago gave me my first step up from teacher to leading Computer Science. I received an ATT award for STEM which led to me becoming the STEM coordinator. To help develop my career further I now lead Team Network Group meetings with other Computing teachers from across the trust. ATT has also allowed me to develop my skills knowledge through attending a range of CPD with Computing at School, Barefoot, and Digital Schoolhouse all of which are helping to develop my practice.

Abby Bayford, Director of Institute

I started a career with ATT in January 2014 as a Lead Practitioner of English at Bristnall Hall Academy. I was then given the opportunity to take on the role of Assistant Principal of Teaching and Learning as a maternity post. This opportunity was significant in developing my professional capacity to lead. It also helped to develop my leadership competencies and broaden my scope of influence. Fortunately, this became a permanent post. ATT is passionate about mobilising teacher agency and I was encouraged to drive improvement in areas within and beyond my remit. This led to an increase in responsibility and I became responsible for leadership and management and quality of education as Vice Principal. Through ATT's talent management processes, I was then identified as a potential system leader and was given executive portfolio responsibility for people development across our Trust. As such, I was given the opportunity to become Director of Institute, establishing a professional learning Institute as a vehicle to drive people development for all across our ATT family. This is my most rewarding role to date.

Amy Bills, Regional Education Director

It is wonderful to be part of an organisation in which people development commands such a high profile. My own career development within ATT from Assistant Principal to Principal, Executive Principal and now Regional Education Director is an example of the wealth of opportunities afforded to us all - whatever our role - and the high quality professional development available when part of a large MAT which has transformation and collaboration at its core.

Nicola Powling, Faculty Leader Humanities

Since joining Mildenhall College Academy three years ago, I have been well-supported in my development as a middle leader and with the guidance and advice of senior leaders in the academy I have been able to demonstrate significant impact on the quality of teaching and learning in the Humanities subjects. Last academic year I chaired the Eastern TNG for History, which has given me the opportunity to work with colleagues across the Trust and share best practice. Most recently, I have been seconded to the senior leadership team with a responsibility for teaching and learning; this is an opportunity to continue my career development and to gain insight and experience in senior leadership.





02. Great Heath Academy Information



Our core belief is that children learn best when they are interested and involved in their learning and can see the point of what they are doing, so we strive to make our curriculum stimulating and our teaching innovative. This approach has paid dividends: in our most recent Ofsted inspection, we were rated Good in every category.

In particular, inspectors noted that “teachers have wide opportunities to take on leadership responsibilities” and “pupils enjoy coming to school, understand how to express concerns, and appreciate staff’s quick responses to these concerns”.

However, we were particularly proud of the comment relating to our inclusive provision: “Disadvantaged pupils benefit from the academy’s purposeful learning environment, and are well supported by additional intervention when necessary. Because of this, they make similar good academic progress to other pupils.”

As a three-form entry primary academy with an attached nursery, we provide the best possible start in life to more than 500 children. They enjoy access to fantastic resources, including an enormous field with excellent sporting facilities, dedicated art and cookery rooms, and a purpose-built library with over 4000 books.

We want to build on these advantages to move from Good to Outstanding, and we believe that our partnerships with parents will be vital to making this happen

03. Our Institute



What is our ATT Institute? Who does it serve?

Our 'Institute' is an umbrella term for all people development available to all ATT stakeholders. It serves our whole ATT community: children and young people, parents and carers, employees and the wider community.

Our ATT Institute Vision

We are committed to the very best people development. We empower all stakeholders through equality of opportunity and place the needs of our stakeholders and the communities we serve at the front and centre of all we do. We believe we are better together and value collaboration within and beyond our organisation. ATT People Development activities will be the very best learning our stakeholders have ever had. Through high-quality people development we will all transform lives and communities.

Our Institute is a learning eco-system through which all people within our communities and beyond can thrive. It starts with the belief that we are all leaders of our eco-system. Leadership does not just come from the top; it has to be genuinely stakeholder-led. Irrespective of our role: admin, education, estates, finance, governance and operations, we all have a responsibility to make things better for children and young people and to help ensure that teachers are delivering a top-drawer education. Thus, we have a professional obligation to keep getting better through engagement in people development activities so that the 'edge' between schools and communities, where educators work with pupils, parents and carers and communities is the best it can possibly be.

We resolutely believe it is our moral and professional imperative to hear all voices and use our own agency to develop others within and beyond our Trust. ATT employees must use their local leadership to develop and lead others beyond their immediate setting and beyond our own Institute. The advancement of our Institute in this way, will lead to whole of system improvement and transform more lives and more communities.

Available people development opportunities for all employees:

Role Performance Development

Our Institute has established 42 Leadership Development Pathways (LDPs) across all our directorates: Education, Finance, Governance, Trustees and Operations, shared through an Institute brochure. The purpose of each LDP is to explain available people development experiences that will support role performance development. Through this menu of opportunities, colleagues can design their own people development journey.

ATT Institute is also a provider of the following people development courses:

- The National Professional Qualification for Middle Leaders
- The National Professional Qualification for Senior Leaders
- ATT Institute Learning Leaders Course & the SSAT Lead Practitioner Accreditation

Strategic collaboration

Collaboration is the oxygen of an improving and self-sustaining Trust. This is facilitated through the following strategic collaboration groups:

- Principals' Development Group
- Strategic Development Group
- Subject Team Network Group

These groups have been described as the 'engine room' of our organisation and the colleagues that lead them, the 'learning brain.'

Research design and its translation

Research is a crucial resource in building knowledge, facilitating learning and renewing our practice. However, it is integral that our research practice does not sit independent to our work in classrooms. Built into our approach is inquiry-based learning. To advance our commitment to research-informed practice, we have established an action research team. The action research team contribute to the advancement of research in areas linked to our strategic improvement priorities and have responsibility for translating their research findings through Strategic Development and Subject Team Network Groups.



04. Job Description

Class Teacher

The responsibilities listed below are complimentary to the Conditions of Service for Teachers.

Job Purpose:

To carry out professional duties and to have responsibility for assigned class. To be responsible for the day-to-day work and management of each class and the safety and welfare of the pupils, during on-site and off-site activities. To promote the aims and objectives of the school and maintain its philosophy of education.

Role Specific Duties and Responsibilities:

- To create and manage a caring, supportive, purposeful and stimulating environment which is conducive to children's learning.
- To plan and prepare lessons in order to deliver the National Curriculum ensuring breadth and balance in all subjects.
- To identify clear teaching objectives and learning outcomes, with appropriate challenge and high expectations.
- To maintain good order and discipline among the pupils, safeguarding their health and safety.
- To organise and manage groups or individual pupils ensuring differentiation of learning needs, reflecting all abilities.
- To plan opportunities to develop the social, emotional and cultural aspects of pupils' learning.
- To maintain a regular system of monitoring, assessment, record-keeping and reporting of children's progress.
- To prepare appropriate records for the transfer of pupils.
- To ensure effective use of support staff within the classroom, including parent helpers.
- To participate in staff meetings as required.
- Contribute to the development and co-ordination of a particular area of the curriculum.
- To be part of a whole school team, actively involved in decision-making on the preparation and development of policies and programmes of study, teaching materials, resources, methods of teaching and pastoral arrangements.
- To ensure that school policies are reflected in daily practice.
- To communicate and consult with parents over all aspects of their children's education – academic, social and emotional.
- To liaise with outside agencies when appropriate eg. Educational Psychologist.
- To continue professional development, maintaining a portfolio of training undertaken.
- To meet with parents and appropriate agencies, to contribute positively to the education of the children concerned.
- To support the Principal in promoting the ethos of the school.
- To promote the welfare of children and to support the school in safeguarding children through relevant policies and procedures.
- To promote equality as an integral part of the role and to treat everyone with fairness and dignity.
- To recognise health and safety is a responsibility of every employee, to take reasonable care of self and others and to comply with the Schools Health and Safety policy and any school-specific procedures / rules that apply to this role.

An annual review of this job description and allocation of particular responsibilities will take place as part of the Performance Management Review. This job description should be read in conjunction with the DFE Teachers' Standards



05. Person Specification

Class Teacher

	Essential	Desirable
Professional qualifications and learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Qualified Teacher Status• Degree• Registration with the General Teaching Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Currently teaching effectively in a primary school environment
Knowledge and Understanding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A clear understanding of the National Curriculum and its application• A knowledge of strategies that enable the teacher to teach mixed ability pupils within the same class and provide work which is differentiated to cater for the entire ability range• An understanding of teamwork	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An understanding of subject leadership
Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The ability to motivate and inspire pupils• The ability to communicate effectively in a verbal and written form to a range of audiences• The ability to teach a wide range of subjects across the primary age range	



06. How to apply

Class Teacher

Great Heath Academy

Status:

32.5 hours per week

Salary:

MPS1 – MPS6
£25,714.00 – 36,960.00

Closing Date:

14th October 2021 - midday

Start Date:

1st January 2022

Interviews:

21st October 2021

Applying:

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