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APPLICATION PACK

Littleover Community School

Design and Technology Technician Maternity Cover

A warm welcome from our Headteacher, Mr J. Wilding

We are seeking to appoint a talented, enthusiastic and suitably qualified individual to join the LCS team as a Design and Technology Technician on a Maternity Cover contract. The successful candidate will be flexible, well organised and professional with good communication skills and is able to use their own initiative but also to work well as part of a team. The position will provide support for the Technology Department, primarily in Technology/Resistant Materials workshops, including assisting class teachers at the beginning and end of practical sessions.

Please see the Job Description and Person Specification for further details.

A Health & Safety Certificate and First Aid Certificate are desirable but not essential as appropriate training will be given.

Littleover Community School is a diverse and highly successful comprehensive school, with consistently high levels of attainment and progress across the curriculum. We are proud of our academic record, and of the pastoral care which maintains a feeling of community in a large and expanding school.

Completed application forms, with a supporting letter explaining why you feel you have the qualifications, experience and personal qualities required for this post, should be returned by email to jobs@littleover.derby.sch.uk or via the TES platform.

Please note, school will only contact successful candidates.



Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'J. Wilding'. The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping 'J' and a long horizontal line extending to the right.

J. Wilding
Headteacher

Learning, Caring, Succeeding

Littleover Community School is a Local Authority maintained school with an outstanding Sixth Form, catering for ages 11 - 18 with approximately 1830 students.

Welcome to Littleover

As a school, we are committed to continuous improvement so that we can continue to evolve to match the changing needs of our students, parents and carers, staff and wider school community. We are keen to utilise the latest thinking and technologies to ensure all our students are best equipped to achieve success in the future.

Our governors and staff are fully committed to serving the needs of our school community in these challenging social times, including continuing to develop the very strong academic performance of our school. If you feel you could contribute to this vision, we would be very pleased to receive your application.

Littleover Community School is an 11-18 comprehensive, community school. We are a Local Authority maintained school and have a positive working relationship with Derby City Council.

Our school is situated four miles to the south west of the centre of Derby, in pleasant, spacious grounds. We have a proud academic and pastoral record and the school is always popular with parents and carers looking for school places, within our own catchment area and beyond.

We currently welcome 295 students into Year 7 each year, giving us a current roll of approximately 1850, including a Sixth form of over 350 students.

Student outcomes

We are proud of our students' attainment and progress: Littleover Community School students consistently perform above local and national averages.

Summer 2024 headlines:

- Key Stage 4 Progress 8 estimate +0.47
- GCSE grades 9-4 in Maths and English 79%
- Key Stage 4 students who receive the Pupil Premium are predicted to achieve a positive Progress 8 score
- A*-A grades at A Level 34.5%
- A*-C grades at A Level 81%

As an inclusive school, we particularly value this measure as it reflects the progress made by every child regardless of their starting point.



Learning, Caring, Succeeding

Our Vision & Aims

We are an inclusive school which means we are determined to ensure all students achieve the best outcomes possible. Our aims of “Learning, Caring and Succeeding” are the basis for all that we do and students are at the heart of our everyday practice.

Looking to improve further is always key. Our school priorities are shared with staff and Governors and our community of parents/carers and students have a say in what we are and what we want to be.

Ofsted

The school was inspected in October 2022 and was judged as ‘Good’ in all areas with ‘Outstanding’ Sixth Form provision.

The full report can be accessed here: <https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50201266>

“Leaders have high expectations. They have created an inclusive and academic culture. Leaders ensure that all pupils, including pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), achieve well. Leaders help pupils prepare for next steps in their education. Pupils and sixth-form students leave school with the skills and knowledge they need to thrive.”

Pupils’ behaviour in lessons is calm and focused. They are eager to share their ideas and knowledge. The vast majority of pupils do not worry about bullying. If they had any concerns, they would report them to staff. Leaders are quick to respond to concerns. The ‘LCS Way’ helps to create a caring and purposeful culture.

Students in the sixth form experience a welcoming and respectful environment. One student said that attending the sixth form has helped them to develop their identity. Students value the support their teachers provide and the sense of community they

share with their peers.

Leaders provide pupils with personal development opportunities. These include the Duke of Edinburgh’s Award scheme as well as sports, arts and music clubs. Some pupils access games club and craft club.

Students in the sixth form join in with enrichment activities. These include pottery classes, learning British Sign Language and a debating society.

Leaders are ambitious about what they want pupils to learn. Sequences of lessons cover a broad range of knowledge. Leaders have ensured that teachers know which knowledge to teach and in what order. This helps pupils to develop their understanding of the subjects they study. Sixth-form students are very knowledgeable and make connections between current and prior learning.”



Why Should You Join Littleover Community School?

Wellbeing - What We Offer

Access to a team of specialist counsellors who are directly contracted to the school to offer support for our staff.

A centralised behaviour system which means no detentions for teachers, disruption free classrooms and a supportive internal Alternative Provision.

A Leadership Team who fully consider staff workload and wellbeing when considering any changes to practice or systems.

A highly supportive approach to CPD and quality assurances that focuses on every member of staff improving, not proving.

Access to the latest technology, including new high spec laptops for staff.

An approach to pedagogy that ensures we deliver high-quality teaching in each and every lesson, whilst giving staff professional autonomy .

All staff also have access to Education Support's Employee Assistance Programme which includes:

A range of counselling options including telephone, on line or face-to-face sessions, and a mindfulness module

A dedicated coaching service for line managers, aimed at developing soft skills and building confidence for handling challenging situations.

Financial, legal and practical support from qualified professionals on a range of personal issues.

Employment Benefits

There are an extensive range of benefits that are available to you as an employee of Littleover Community School.

For your health and wellbeing there is access to a free on site gym and an employee assistance programme.

You will have access to the Derby City Council Rewards platform, which hosts a wide range of benefits such as the Cycle2Work scheme, benefits and offers at an extensive network of retailers, Tusker Car Lease Scheme and more!

These benefits run alongside other benefits such as access to the Teachers' Pension Scheme or Local Government Pension Scheme (depending on your role), free on-site car parking, free annual flu jab and a friendly, supportive working environment!



Design and Technology Technician

Vacancy Details

JIQ Reference No:	S-253
Closing Date:	30th June 2025
Salary (FTE):	Grade E SCP 10-14 £26,835 - £28,624
Salary (Actual):	Grade E SCP 10-14 £23,183 - £24,729
Hours:	37 per week: 8.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Thursday 8.00am - 3.30pm Friday
Weeks per Year:	39: Term-Time, including Inset days
Contract Type:	Maternity Cover Contract until 23rd October 2026 (approx.)
Responsible to:	Coordinator of Technology/ School Operations Manager
Start Date:	4th September 2025

Job Purpose

To provide technical and practical support to the Technology Department

Duties & Responsibilities

1. To be responsible to the Co-ordinator of Technology/ School Operations Manager.
2. To work in accordance with the aims and policies of the school.
3. To ensure safe and organised storage of all materials and equipment and to prepare materials for practical lessons in Technology.
4. To assist class teachers when required in practical sessions in Technology. This could include preparing materials before the lesson, working with small groups, or demonstrating

equipment and machinery.

5. To check stocks and order materials as appropriate, keeping clear and full accounts of income and expenditure.
6. To ensure the Technology rooms are safe, clean and well-organised and that any Health and Safety issues with regards to the workshops are reported to the Co-ordinator of Technology.
7. To assist in the setting up of events to display pupils work. To undertake constructional work for the Creative Arts faculty as required.
8. To carry out risk assessments in the Technology faculty.
9. To be responsible for implementing Health & Safety requirements for all machinery and facilities in the Technology faculty, including the reviewing and updating of all risk assessments.
10. To liaise with the Curriculum Co-ordinator and the Premises Manager to ensure technology facilities are maintained to the correct standards.
11. To undertake basic constructional work on occasions, i.e. racks/storage units in order that new tools and equipment or materials can be stored safely.
12. To be responsible for a programme of maintenance for all technology facilities.
13. To check stock levels of consumables in the department, assist with the ordering of equipment and carrying out an inventory termly.
14. To promote the ethos of the school and be supportive of school activities.
15. To share the school's commitment to safeguarding and child protection and be familiar with the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy and other relevant policies within the school.

The duties above are neither exclusive nor exhaustive and the post holder may be required by the Headteacher to carry out any other appropriate duties within the context of the role.

Essential & Desirable Skills Littleover Are Looking For

1. Skills and Experience

	Essential	Desirable
Experience of working in a school or similar environment.		X
Experience of working with CAD/CAM software.		X
Ability to undertake constructional work, as required.		X
Able to develop effective relationships with colleagues, young people and other outside agencies.	X	
Able to maintain and service machinery and equipment within the Technology faculty.	X	
Good communication skills, both verbal and written.	X	
Good working ICT skills.	X	
Able to maintain confidentially.	X	
Ability to work efficiently independently and within a team to meet deadlines	X	
Have a working knowledge of Microsoft packages.	X	

2. Qualifications

	Essential	Desirable
English and Mathematics GCSE A*-C or equivalent.	X	
Experience in construction or other relevant industry.		X
Hold a current First Aid Certificate or be willing to undertake the relevant training	X	
Health & Safety Certificate/certification of competency in use of machinery.		X
Be prepared to undertake other relevant training, as and when required	X	

3. Personal Qualities

	Essential	Desirable
Excellent time management skills and the ability to remain calm under pressure.	X	
Ability to organise multiple tasks and projects.	X	
Willingness to work in a way that is consistent and flexible within the ethos of the school.	X	
Emotional resilience	X	
Ability to be reflective and self-critical	X	
Solution focused approach to work	X	
Ability to deliver quality work with particular attention to detail.	X	
To share the school's commitment to safeguarding & child protection. Be familiar with the Safeguarding & Child Protection Policy and other relevant school policies	X	

Equality, Diversity & Safeguarding

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Equality & Diversity

Littleover Community School is proud of the cultural diversity of our school community. We welcome enquiries from everyone and also value the diversity of our workforce. As such, the school actively promotes equality of opportunity for all with the right mix of talent, skills and potential.

We welcome applications from a wide range of candidates, including those with criminal records. As an organisation assessing applicants' suitability for positions which are included in the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order using criminal record checks processed through the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS), Littleover Community School complies fully with the DBS Code of Practice <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dbs-code-of-practice> and undertakes to treat all applicants for positions fairly. Littleover Community School undertakes not to discriminate unfairly against any subject of a criminal record check on the basis of a conviction or other information revealed and can only ask an individual to provide details of convictions and cautions that they are legally entitled to know about.

Where a DBS certificate at either standard or enhanced level can legally be requested (where the position is one that is included in the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 as amended) and where appropriate Police Act Regulations (as amended), Littleover Community School can only ask an individual about convictions and cautions that are not protected.

Littleover Community School selects all candidates for interview based on their skills, qualifications and experience.

Safeguarding

Littleover Community School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An offer of employment will be subject to the receipt of a satisfactory enhanced level DBS disclosure with a children's barred list check, two satisfactory references and successful completion of vetting procedures.

In accordance with the statutory guidance, Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE), an online search will be conducted as part of due diligence on shortlisted candidates.

Copies of our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy, along with other school policies, are available on our website at: <https://www.littleover.derby.sch.uk/information/policies-compliance>

We would advise anyone applying for a position at LCS to read the above documents, along with the following Keeping Children Safe in Education document: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/keeping-children-safe-in-education--2>

