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# Food Science and Nutrition Technician APPLICATION PACK





#### Dear Colleague

Welcome to Kingsway Park High School and thank you for your interest in us.

Kingsway Park High School is proud to be a vibrant, inclusive and diverse school with approximately 1350 students, 47 different nationalities and 25 spoken languages. We have state-of-the-art facilities, and we provide an individualised and unique curriculum offer for all students regardless of their starting point, gender, ethnicity, faith or need.

We care for, nurture and develop the whole child while improving aspirations, learning and achievement for all. In addition to ensuring each student's academic potential, we also prepare them to be socially responsible citizens who can flourish in society and give back to their local community. We seek to remove any barriers of inequity, which prevent equality of opportunity so that all students can aspire and be inspired to realise their dreams.

Our school has a strong sense of community, purpose and belonging. We value our students and recognise that success looks and feels different for each one of them. However, what is consistent is our team of passionate, enthusiastic and committed staff who work relentlessly in the pursuit of excellence for the students and community we serve.

We have a strong commitment and belief in developing staff at all levels. We seek to recruit and retain colleagues whose drivers match our school ethos and are committed to their own professional development. Successful candidates will receive a high-quality induction, appraisal, continuous development programmes (including nationally recognised leadership qualifications), and opportunities to contribute to whole school impact projects throughout their Kingsway careers.

I hope you find this application pack helpful in making your decision to apply for this exciting career opportunity. If you have any questions for us, do get in touch, we are always here to help.

I would like to thank you for your application, investment of time and - whatever the outcome - I wish you well in the future.

Yours sincerely

Simon Ward Headteacher

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## Making your application

I hope that when you read this pack you are inspired to apply for the post.

#### **Application**

- 1. Complete the Altus Education Partnership application form.
- **2.** Provide a supporting statement of <u>no more than one side of A4</u> which should address the criteria in the person specification.
- 3. Send your completed application form by email to <a href="recruitment@altusep.com">recruitment@altusep.com</a>

#### **Deadline**

The deadline for the post is **24**<sup>th</sup> **March 2025** (to arrive no later than 12.00 midday). Interviews are expected to take place week commencing **31**<sup>st</sup> **March 2025** 

#### **Shortlisting**

Regrettably, we are unable to inform candidates who have not been shortlisted. If you do not hear from us, please consider your application unsuccessful this time.

#### Salary

The post will be paid on the School Support pay spine, Scale Point 05 - 06

#### **Start Date**

As soon as possible

#### For an Application Pack

- 1. Visit www.altusep.com
- 2. Contact Caroline Sullivan HR Officer: recruitment@altusep.com
- **3.** Telephone 01706 769999

#### **Reward Package & Additional Benefits**

We offer a comprehensive package, including membership of our outstanding Teachers' Pension Scheme; our 'Employee Benefits Programme' which provides a range of options including:

- Our Cycle to Work Salary Sacrifice Scheme
- Free access to Employee Assistance Programme, offering guidance, support and counselling on a range of subjects
- Generous holiday entitlement

Altus Education Partnership is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff to share this commitment. This position is subject to an Enhanced DBS check under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. In accordance with the recommendations set out in KCSIE the Trust carries out online searches on shortlisted candidates. It is also Trust policy to contact at least 1 reference prior to interview.





## **Background Information**

#### **Kingsway Park High School**

Kingsway Park High School joined the Altus Education Partnership in February 2022. KPHS students live in and travel to us from communities all over Rochdale and the surrounding areas. We are very proud of the high-quality facilities, resources, and environment that we provide for both staff and students.

We hold our school values of **Trust, Professionalism, Integrity, Respect, Kindness and Effective Communication** at the core of everything we expect from our students. Students are awarded when they consistently demonstrate our values.

If you would like to visit the school to get a feel of who we are and where we are going, we would warmly welcome you.

#### **Altus Education Partnership**

Altus Education Partnership is a Multi Academy Trust and was established in 2017 through Rochdale Sixth Form College, an Ofsted Outstanding provider, and grew from the Trust's desire to improve education in the borough of Rochdale as a whole.

The Trust currently comprises four academies, including ourselves. The other three academies are:

- Rochdale Sixth Form College which opened in 2010 to address the significant underachievement in A level performance in the borough. Since then, it has raised achievement in the area dramatically and is recognised nationally as a centre of excellence. The College is Ofsted Outstanding, Sixth Form College of the Year 2021, and regularly one of the highest performing colleges in the country according to the DfE's Performance Tables and National Achievement Rate tables
- Edgar Wood Academy is a secondary school which opened in a new build in 2021 under Wave 13 of the Free Schools' programme. The Academy has already established a strong reputation in the local community and is significantly over-subscribed for 2024-25
- **Bamford Academy** is an Ofsted rated Good school providing a caring and nurturing environment for all of its pupils; it is a popular first choice for many parents and young people in the local community

We are delighted that **Caldershaw Primary School** will join Altus Education Partnership on 1st July 2025.

Altus Education Partnership is now on the cusp of significant and rapid growth, with a high number of schools indicating an interest in joining the Trust, and seven of these schools entering into a Trust Partnership Agreement. This means that while the Trust currently has around 4,500 students and 500 staff over 4 academies, within three years this could easily increase to around 10,000 students, 1,000 staff and 10 or more academies.

Additionally, the Trust has codified and solidified its relationship with a number of key educational partners in the borough. Most notably, and uniquely in the sector, Altus has a Memorandum of Understanding with Hopwood Hall College around the curricula the two colleges offer, and to support transition of students to post-16 education.





## **Role Description**

Job Title:	Food Science and Nutrition Technician		
Reports to:	Faculty Lead of CDC		
Staff Responsibility for:	N/a		
Contract:	Permanent – Full time – Term time only (39 weeks)		
Salary:	lary: School Support Scale SPS05 – SPS06		
Start Date:	ASAP		

### **Overall Purpose of the Post**

We are looking to appoint a passionate and dynamic technician to join our Technology Faculty as a Food Science and Nutrition Technician. The Food Science and Nutrition department at Kingsway Park High School is well resourced with two dedicated practical classrooms fully equipped with excellent resources. You will join a department with two existing experienced teachers of Food Science and Nutrition.

The role of the Food Science and Nutrition Department Technician is to provide reliable, high quality technical support to the departments teaching staff. Support is potentially in all areas of teaching and learning within the Department but with explicit reference to the following areas:

#### **Food**

- · Ordering and stock control
- Storing and disposing of ingredients
- Packaging and storage of student's food

#### **Equipment**

- Ordering and stock control
- Storing and cleaning
- Maintaining in safe condition, repairing when applicable

#### **Environment**

- Maintaining clean, tidy and safe conditions throughout the department
- Assisting staff with displays
- Preparation and provisioning of classrooms

#### Clerical





- General office assistance as well as photocopying/printing
- Producing and maintaining health and safety records for the department
- Producing and maintaining inventories
- Maintaining records of orders and deliveries received
- Researching products and suppliers
- Recording and maintaining financial income and outgoings in line with the department budget.

#### **Teaching and Learning**

- Preparing, setting up and clearing away demonstrations for lessons
- Preparing and setting up ingredients for lessons
- Liaising with staff in developing resources to be used within lessons
- Assisting students with additional ingredients
- Demonstration of skills and equipment to students where needed
- Assisting students in clearing away ingredients and equipment at the end of the lesson
- Helping staff to maintain a positive learning experience in all contact with students

#### Other:

- The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable
  adults and expects all staff to share this commitment. An enhanced DBS check will be carried out on the
  successful candidate.
- The Trust is committed to equal opportunities for all.
- The successful candidate will be required to complete a satisfactory medical screening assessment and provide two satisfactory references, identity check and right to work.
- The terms and conditions are specified within the contract of employment.

This job description is a representative document. Other reasonably similar duties may be allocated from time to time commensurate with the general character of the post and its grading. The person appointed will be expected to work flexibly and the exact nature of the duties described above is subject to periodic review and is liable to change.





## **Person Specification**

		Assessed by:		
No.	CATEGORIES	Essential/ Desirable	App Form	Interview
1.	GCSE English and Maths at grade 4 or equivalent.	Е	٧	٧
2.	Relevant food safety qualification	D	٧	٧
3.	Current First Aid at Work Certificate	D	٧	٧
EXPER	IENCE			
4.	Experience working as a food technician	D	٧	٧
5.	Excellent subject knowledge in the area of food science and nutrition	E	٧	٧
6.	Skill in maintaining kitchen-based equipment	D	٧	٧
ABILIT	IES, SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE			
7.	Excellent interpersonal skills	E	٧	√ √
8.	Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing	E	٧	٧
9.	Ability to prepare materials	Е	٧	٧
10.	Good time management and organisation skills	E	٧	٧
11.	Commitment to the safeguarding of our pupils	E	٧	٧
12.	Adaptable and flexible	E	٧	٧
13.	Flexibility to undertake any other responsibilities as	D	٧	٧
	required by line manager			
14.	Ability to show initiative and creativity	D	٧	٧
15.	Ability to communicate effectively with both staff and students	D	٧	٧
16.	Show commitment and enjoyment to their work	D	٧	٧
17.	Demonstrate energy, enthusiasm, and vision	D	٧	٧
18.	Ability to work under pressure and a capacity for hard work	D	٧	٧
19.	Recognise capability and not afraid to seek advice from others	D	٧	٧
20.	Positive and proactive approach to continuous improvement and personal development	D	٧	٧
PERSO	NAL CHARACTERISTICS			
21.	An unwavering commitment to the Altus Education	E	٧	√
	Partnership's vision, mission and values			
22.	Willing to be accountable and to take personal responsibility for own actions.	E	٧	٧
23.	Resilience and the ability to grow professionally and flexibly within a start-up and developing organisation	E	٧	٧







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