

Principal - UTC Sheffield City Centre**Job Ref: 258/2026**

NOR: 600 | Age range: 13 -19 years | Start: January 2027

Salary: £96,612 - £106,697 (2026/27 pay rise pending)

The UTC Sheffield Academy Trust provides a dynamic technical education. We opened our City Centre site in September 2013 specialising in Engineering and Creative & Digital Media and then opened our second UTC on the exciting Olympic Legacy Park in Sheffield in September 2016 offering opportunities for students in Health Science, Computing and Sports Science. UTC Derby Pride Park joined the Trust in December 2019 offering Engineering and Health & Life Sciences. All 3 UTCs in the Trust are judged as 'Good' by Ofsted. We are now looking to appoint a Principal at UTC Sheffield City Centre following the promotion of the current Principal to Chief Executive Officer/Executive Principal.

The Principal based at the UTC Sheffield City Centre site, will work closely with the CEO/Executive Principal, the Governing Body and Trust Board to provide professional leadership to ensure excellent standards and outcomes for our students. You will be expected to work closely with the Trust Executive Team and other UTC Principals to achieve The Sheffield UTC Academy Trust vision.

You will have a significant role in driving success at the UTC, particularly relating to the quality of education, including employer and university engagement, personal development, behaviour and attitudes. The ability to embrace and maximise the opportunities of collaboration across our UTCs being a key aspect of the role. A successful educational culture will enable students to thrive becoming highly skilled, effective, enthusiastic, independent learners and well prepared for the challenges of life.

You will be a highly skilled leader who understands the challenges of educating 13-19-year-olds. It will be a strong advantage if you have experience of building relationships with industry, policy makers, education, parents and students. Effective partnership working is absolutely critical to the success of our UTCs. As Principal and figurehead, you will be a hugely engaging and inspirational individual. Resilient, driven and focused you will take forward a growing and rapidly improving UTC at the heart of the Sheffield City Region and its communities.

The UTC Sheffield Academy Trust is sponsored by Sheffield Hallam University, The Sheffield College and Sheffield Chamber of Commerce and Industry. UTC Sheffield City Centre also has strong partnerships with University of Sheffield, McLaren, Sheffield Forgemasters, South Yorkshire Film Network, Yorkshire Artspace and the Sheffield Assay Office. Our vision is to provide the education and training today for the jobs of tomorrow.

The Sheffield UTC Academy Trust is the most radical new education offer in both the Sheffield and Derby City Regions for a generation. The curriculum is built around real work-related, employer-driven projects so that every aspect of learning has clear relevance to potential careers. The combination of highly regarded technical qualifications alongside GCSEs and A-Levels enables students to progress directly into employment as well as into high quality apprenticeships and university (including The Russell Group) places.

The breadth and depth of employer and university engagement is exceptional with regular mentoring, master classes, visits to employer premises and tailored work placements. The whole focus is on preparing students from age 13 upwards for high quality careers, not just passing exams. This has resulted in outstanding destination data for our students.

Closing date: Mid-day Wednesday 23 September 2026 **Interviews:** Tuesday 29 September 2026

We are an employer who values equality and diversity and we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Successful applicants will be required to have an enhanced DBS check and will be subject to safer recruiting procedures.

For more information, including how to apply visit www.utcsheffield.org.uk/vacancies

We welcome visits and enquiries prior to application. For an informal discussion, or to book a visit please contact Executive PA to the Executive Team, Marie Jones on 0114 308 4500
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