

Personal Specification - SENCO

	Essential	Desirable
	Graduate in a related subject	Other professional development in the area of SEND
	Qualified Teacher Status	
Qualifications	Record of professional development and updating knowledge	
	National SENCO Award or willingness to train	
	Proven ability to demonstrate good teaching ensuring all students make excellent progress	Successful class teaching experience across more than one key stage
	A working knowledge of the SEND Code of Practice and statutory requirements specifically related to Inclusive School Practice.	Involvement in the preparation for and administration of assessment including end of key stage assessments in more than one key stage
	To have a thorough understanding of the SEND code of practice and demonstrate best practice in meeting the needs of pupils with SEND.	Experience of teaching a range of alternative qualifications / courses for students at KS4
	Experience of teaching students with a range of additional needs	Experience of delivering innovative enrichment / wider curricular provision
	Experience of managing a team of staff	
Relevant experience	Successful and relevant secondary teaching experience	
	Experience and understanding of a range of assessmen t techniques to maximise student progress	
	Involvement in the preparation for and administration of assessment including end of key stage assessments in at least one key stage	
	Proven ability to manage behaviour both within class and throughout the school	
	Experience of monitoring and giving accurate feedback to colleagues, including observation of teaching resulting in improved outcomes.	

	Experience of delivering high quality CPD related to SEND	
Knowledge and understanding	Clear understanding and detailed knowledge of current curriculum and assessment requirements and developments, particularly in relation to SEND	Working knowledge of Birmingham SEND LA and associated services for Education, Health and Social Care
	Understanding of relevant equal opportunities, health and safety and safeguarding guidance and legislation, and with commitment to keeping up to date with legislative changes affecting schools	Knowledge of alternative, supportive KS4 pathways and opportunities for students Knowledge of and links with Post 16 providers
	Knowledge of the regulations around safeguarding and how to address any issues that might arise	
	Knowledge of good practice guidelines to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with Students and young people	
	Be able to demonstrate emotional resilience in working with Students, Parents carers and colleagues	
	Working knowledge of SEN code of practice and other legislation / guidance pertinent to SEND	
Skills and aptitudes	Excellent organisational and time management skills	Ability to report to and work with
	Proven ability to motivate, inspire and manage staff and students	other stakeholders such as Governors, the LA and other external advisors or agencies
	Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing with a variety of audiences	Ability to manage change, involving and consulting students, parents, staff,
	Ability to develop positive working relationships with students, parents, staff, Governors and local community	Governors and others
	Ability to listen and respond to others	
	Successful experience of working with parents as partners in their child's education	
	Proven ability to meet deadlines and be punctual	
	Is trustworthy, caring and kind	

	Is approachable, but able to set appropriate personal and professional boundaries Is creative, flexible and open to new ideas	
	Demonstrate a strong desire to achieve the highest possible level of educational achievement for each student in the school	
	To be a fluent and confident user in a range of IT systems and school based MIS	
Special Requirements	Enhanced DBS clearance	
	Compliance with all School and Trust policies	