



Job Application Pack

Sixth Form Assistant Year Leader

Temporary (ending 28th August 2024), Full Time, Term Time plus 2 weeks

Salary: Grade 8, Points 19 to 24, £29,777 to £33,024 (FTE)

Actual salary: £26,805 to £29,728 per annum

Welcome from the CEO



Archway Learning Trust is a vibrant learning community where students are cared for, receive a high quality education and experience every opportunity to be successful.

School years are amongst the most important in our lives, helping us to develop the knowledge, skills and characteristics we need to succeed. At Archway Learning Trust, we are committed to giving every child the very best start that we can. We offer outstanding teaching and learning and exceptional personal support in an inclusive, faith based environment. I became a teacher because I believe in equal opportunities for everyone.

I also believe that every child has the right to an excellent education. Learning is at the heart of any good society and the opportunity to learn from teachers who are committed, enthusiastic and innovative is a right that all children should have.

Our mission is to help children to understand and believe in themselves, respect and care for others and to develop a wide understanding of faith, the world around them and their place within it. The determination of our youngsters to succeed, and the passion of our teachers to make a difference, makes me proud to be Chief Executive Officer of this diverse and dynamic family of academies.

S. Hampton

About the Trust

Archway Learning Trust, previously Bluecoat Academies Trust was formed in April 2014 as a result of the very long and successful history of Bluecoat Academy.

The Trust comprises of Bluecoat Aspley Academy, Bluecoat Sixth Form, Bluecoat Wollaton Academy, Bluecoat Beechdale Academy, Bluecoat Primary Academy, Bluecoat Bentinck Primary Academy, The Nottingham Emmanuel School and Sixth Form, The Long Eaton School, Lees Brook Academy, Alvaston Moor Academy, Bluecoat Trent Academy and the Bluecoat SCITT Alliance (School Centred Initial Teacher Training).

Our aim as a Trust is to shine a spotlight nationally and internationally on our inclusive ethos so that more schools and academies can be encouraged to take up our approach to inclusive, enriching, knowledge based teaching, preparing young people for lifelong learning based firmly on our Christian principles.

The growth of the Trust is a truly exciting time for prospective candidates who are looking to further their careers in a dynamic learning community that has opportunity at every point to share and learn from each other in order to become the best that we can be.

We are proud of our diverse student population and passionate to create a staff team reflective of this diversity. We actively welcome applications from all backgrounds and you can be assured of a warm welcome at Archway.

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Our Schools

Bluecoat Aspley Academy

Bluecoat Academy Aspley is the largest school in the Trust and was the founder of Archway Learning Trust (previously known as Bluecoat Academies Trust). The Academy is both distinctively Christian and inclusive with all students being part of a large, diverse and multi-ethnic family that we are very proud to be a part of. Bluecoat Aspley Academy is a School of Sanctuary, welcoming students and families from all backgrounds.



Bluecoat Aspley
believe in yourself, in others, in God

Bluecoat Wollaton Academy

Bluecoat Wollaton Academy has 800 learners and is both distinctively Christian and inclusive, with a relentless ambition to enable every member of our Academy 'family' to be the best they can be. Bluecoat Wollaton was graded as 'Outstanding' in all categories in its Ofsted inspection in 2018. The school's outcomes place it consistently in the top 10% in the country and it was also awarded the highly coveted World Class Schools Quality Mark, which is awarded to the top schools in the country.



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Bluecoat Beechdale Academy

Bluecoat Beechdale Academy is a growing school, with over 800 students on roll. The numbers have increased each year since our sponsorship began and we are delighted with the growing confidence that local families are expressing by making Beechdale their first choice school in increasing numbers. Bluecoat Beechdale Academy is not formally designated as a Church of England Academy, but shares the ethos and many of the Archway values.



Bluecoat Beechdale
Academy
Believe, Belong, Achieve

Bluecoat Primary Academy

Bluecoat Primary Academy opened in January 2015. The primary school is located near our Bluecoat Beechdale Academy in a brand new state of the art building on Harvey Road and is home to 420 primary aged children, 26 Nursery pupils and a small focus provision for children with ASD. Like Bluecoat Aspley and Bluecoat Wollaton Academy is both distinctively Christian and inclusive.



Bluecoat Primary
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The Nottingham Emmanuel School

The Nottingham Emmanuel School is a Church of England secondary and Sixth Form, with 1,000 students, including over 140 in the Sixth Form. The £25 million site is located near the banks of the River Trent in West Bridgford. The School is a diverse community, serving families and students from every academic, social, faith and ethnic background. Emmanuel has been praised nationally for its outstanding work as an effective, inclusive Church school.



Bluecoat SCITT

Based at Bluecoat Aspley Academy, the Bluecoat SCITT offers school based Teacher training in a range of schools and subjects. As an accredited provider of school based teacher training, we are committed to training outstanding teachers to work within the East Midlands region. Our comprehensive one year School Direct Training Programme is offered for both Primary and Secondary trainees, as well as a salaried option in certain subjects.



Bluecoat SCITT Alliance
Nottingham

Bluecoat Trent Academy

The Bluecoat Trent Academy opened its doors in September 2021 with the founding cohort of Year 7 pupils. BTA is an 11-16, non-faith school. The new build for the academy will be built on the former site of Clarendon College, on the edge of Forest Fields, close to Mapperley Park. Whilst the new academy is being constructed BTA will, for the first two years, be based in its own building on the site of Bluecoat Aspley Academy on Aspley Lane. The school will be underpinned by the ethos of all the Archway academies whilst establishing its own unique vision and values.



Bluecoat Bentinck Primary Academy

Bluecoat Bentick Primary Academy officially joined of Archway Learning Trust in September 2023, becoming our second primary academy. The school has a proud and rich history of serving the children and community of Nottingham since 1880; we are delighted to be part of its next chapter! Bluecoat Bentinck is a popular, diverse and multi-cultural Academy in the heart of Nottingham City. The Academy’s vision of ‘Together We Make a Difference’ underpins our commitment to work together to achieve our common purpose of transforming lives of the children we serve. Staff at Bentinck are committed to supporting and teaching the diverse cohort of learners, creating the conditions to enable all children to thrive in their education. Bentinck is a happy, calm and welcoming place to be where children are kind, respectful and are proud to represent Bluecoat Bentinck.



Bluecoat Bentinck Primary Academy

Lees Brook Academy

Lees Brook Academy based in Derby has 1,120 students and is a school that puts its students at the heart of everything it does. The school’s motto ‘Lead, Believe, Create, Succeed’ was chosen by its students and is at the core of everything that the school does. Lees Brook is passionate about its extra-curricular provision in particular the thriving Duke of Edinburgh scheme. Lees Brook is a school that cares for the people within it.



Lees Brook Academy

Alvaston Moor Academy

Our Academy vision is at the heart of everything we do, ‘Ambition, Manners and Achievement’. We also recognise the importance of positive relationships, equality and respect. Situated in the heart of the City of Derby, it serves a diverse local community and serves families from many different backgrounds. The curriculum offered is broad and specifically designed to engage and challenge its students.



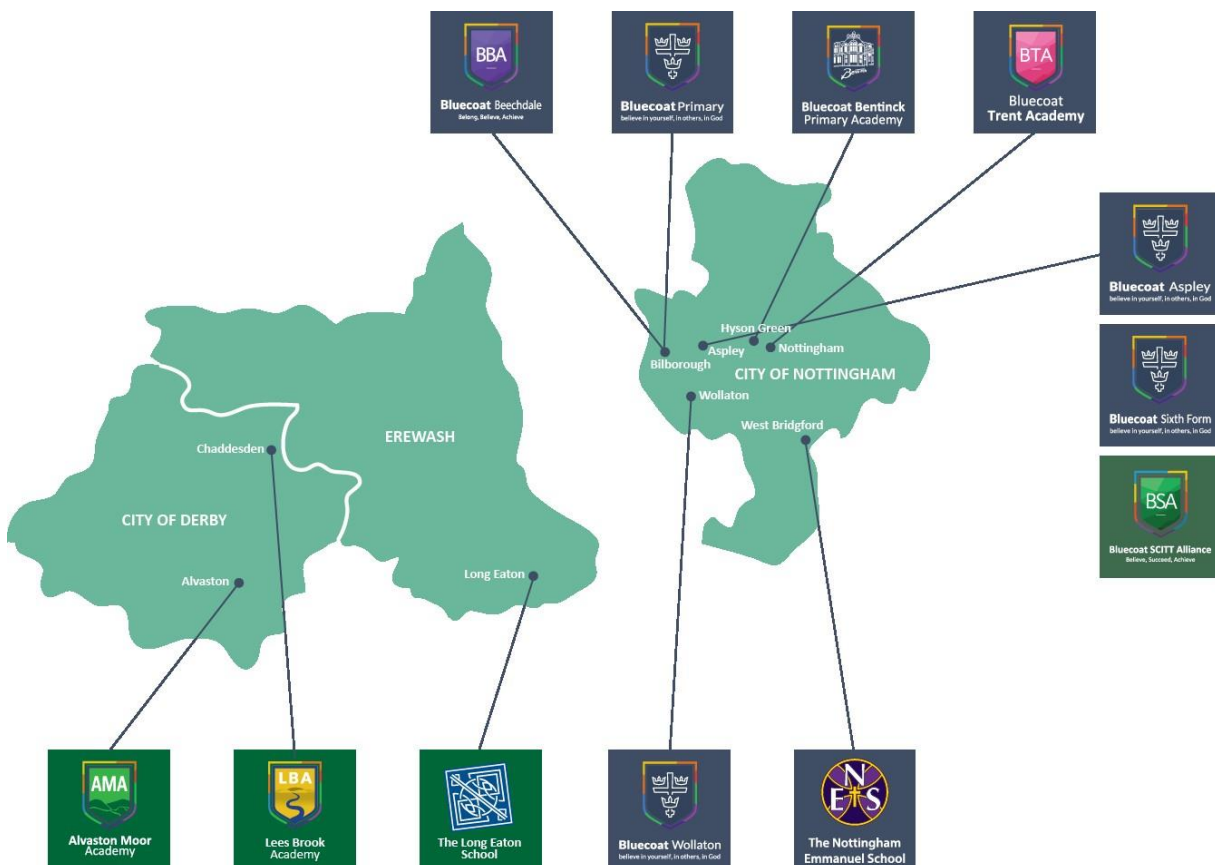
Alvaston Moor Academy

The Long Eaton School

The Long Eaton School with 1,078 students is built on a long tradition of academic success, dating back to 1910. The school has gained an excellent reputation for the quality of its educational provision and its developments in Literacy and Numeracy have earned the school the prestigious Quality Mark and our approaches have been shared nationally as a model of good practice.



School Locations



Welcome from the Principal

Sarah Anderson delivers Principal leadership to the Trust's successful and passionate Bluecoat Aspley Academy.

Offering a caring, nurturing and ambitious environment, Bluecoat Aspley Academy enables every member of staff to be the best they can be. We have high aspirations for ourselves, our students, and the community we serve. Whilst we are extremely proud of our reputation for academic excellence, we place equal value on ensuring students grow and develop personally, socially, and spiritually, leaving us thoroughly prepared to become well rounded and successful citizens in a modern society.

We make no apologies for the high standards that we have here at Bluecoat Aspley Academy. We expect our staff to role model excellent behaviour, attendance, and attitudes to learning for our students. We are absolutely delighted that during our most recent Ofsted inspection (June 2024) Ofsted reported that we continue to be a 'good' academy and praised our high expectations and inclusive and diverse make-up. All at Bluecoat Aspley Academy are very proud of our rich history, faith, and belief as well as our truly inclusive nature. Our vision is to ensure that all students make progress, regardless of their background, ability or starting point and we celebrate the impact of our specialist SEN provision on site.

We also expect our staff to be excellent too, and this is why we put staff training at the centre of our professional development offer. This is because it is only by delivering inspirational teaching and first-class support that ignites a love of learning and instils a belief in learners that anything is possible. Belief is central to all we do: we believe in ourselves, in others, in God and it is this belief that ensures Bluecoat Aspley Academy continues to offer the best educational experiences possible for our students, our staff and our community.



Sarah Anderson
BAA Principal

The Vacancy

Archway Learning Trust is seeking to appoint a self-motivated and passionate candidate who can fulfil the role of Sixth Form Assistant Year Leader to work alongside the Bluecoat Sixth Form pastoral team at Bluecoat Sixth Form.

As part of the wider pastoral sixth form team, you will interact daily with the young adults who choose to join us. You will support the behaviour, attendance, welfare and academic achievement of students. Working closely with students, parents and staff to remove barriers to learning progress, the post holder will support the development of high standards in all aspects of pupil behaviour, attendance, attitude and learning culture.



At Bluecoat Sixth Form, we live out our mission statement of being courageously inclusive by believing in ourselves, in others and in God, by offering a range of qualifications across different levels of study, and celebrating our differences. We pride ourselves on knowing our students as individuals, and our values of faith, hope, family and respect underpin everything we do. The Assistant Year Leader role will support us to live out our ethos, which is underpinned by the trust's Christian Values and create a culture of support and pastoral care where every child can blossom and make rapid learning progress. You will be central to developing hope that our students will achieve their full potential, by working alongside families and pastoral, teaching and support staff to remove barriers to learning. If you are looking for a student facing role which would allow you to make a tangible difference to the lives of young people, in a position that allows you to work closely alongside a team of dedicated individuals, then the Assistant Year Leader role at Bluecoat Sixth Form may be perfect for you.

The successful candidate will possess excellent organisational and communication skills, high levels of initiative, good interpersonal skills and the ability to work well in a team. The post-holder will be responsible for regularly acting on data to inform and implement proactive, as well as reactive, intervention or mentoring to help students to secure aspirational futures. The nature of the role means that no one day is the same and there is always something new to do and learn.

The pastoral team is led by the Head of Sixth Form/ Assistant Principal and is composed of a number of teaching and non-teaching staff members, all of whom share a passion to drive forward the aspirations and achievements of the 450 students who choose to study with us.

The role will be based at the Trust's Bluecoat Sixth Form which is returning to Bluecoat Aspley Academy from October half term onwards, but the post holder may at any time be required to support or work at any of the sites within Archway Learning Trust.

Candidates should pay attention to the job description/person specification and explain within their application how they meet the criteria, whilst also describing what they will bring to the post from their own knowledge and experience.



Applications

For more information about Bluecoat Sixth Form Academy and the vacancy, please visit www.bluecoataspley.co.uk/vacancies. To apply for the role click apply which will take you to the application form for the post. We would encourage you to refer to the job description and person specification, demonstrating your suitability for the role.

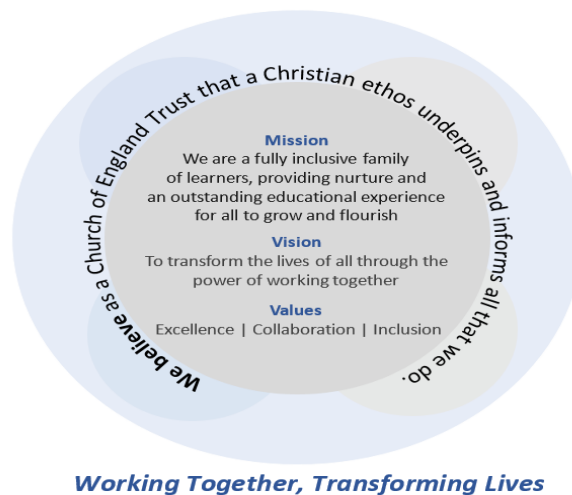
Closing Date: 9am, Friday 11th October 2024

Interview Date: W/C 14th October 2024

Due to the number of applications we receive, it is with regret that we cannot respond to every application, if you do not hear from the HR Department within two weeks of the deadline, please assume that on this occasion your application has unfortunately not been successful.

Trust Ethos, Mission, Vision and Values

The Trust believes in the transformational power of education for each individual and that this is enhanced through collaborative working between the academies.



Safeguarding Children and Young People

Archway Learning Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All staff and volunteers are therefore expected to behave in such a way that supports this commitment. Appointment to this post will be subject to the following satisfactory pre-employment checks:

- Health
- Identity
- Relevant work qualifications
- Right to work in the UK
- Barred List Check (previously List 99)
- Disclosure & Barring Service Check (for all staff and volunteers)
- References
- Childcare Disqualification Declaration Check (relevant Primary School posts only)
- Online Searches

Job Description

POST TITLE: SIXTH FORM ASSISTANT YEAR LEADER

GRADE: Grade 8, point 19-24

RESPONSIBLE TO: HEAD OF SIXTH FORM

JOB PURPOSE

To work alongside the sixth form pastoral team to support with the behaviour, attendance, welfare and academic achievement of students. Working closely with students, parents and staff to remove barriers to learning progress, the post holder will support the development of high standards in all aspects of pupil behaviour, attendance, attitude and learning culture Regularly acting on data to inform and implement proactive, as well as reactive, intervention or mentoring. Developing a culture of support and pastoral care, underpinned by the trust's Christian Values, where every child can blossom and make rapid learning progress.

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Support the overall Christian ethos of the Trust.
2. Be aware of and comply with Trust policies and procedures including but not exhaustive of:
 - Acceptable Use of IT Policy
 - Code of Conduct
 - Extremism & Radicalisation Policy
 - Health, Safety and Security Policy & Guidance
 - Keeping Children Safe in Education (Part 1) Guidance
 - Safeguarding Policy and Training Slides
 - Whistleblowing Policy
 - IT Pack including Acceptable Use Statement
 - Health, Wellbeing and Benefits Policy
 - Finance Policy
3. Be aware of and support difference and ensure equal opportunities for all.
4. Contribute to the overall aims of the Trust and Academy Improvement Plans
5. To develop and implement own professional development and skills
6. To behave in a manner that is professional, friendly, fair with students and colleagues demonstrating and role modelling politeness and respectfulness
7. To demonstrate an excellent record of attendance and punctuality.
8. Work cooperatively as part of the Trust wide staff team
9. Undertaking any other duties which may reasonably be regarded as within the nature of the duties and responsibilities/grade of the post as defined.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Monitor the individual academic, attendance and attitude to learning progress of level 2 GCSE resit students and deliver or facilitate appropriate intervention to support progress of all.
2. Using VESPA materials, support students to improve their vision, effort, systems, practise and/or attitude.
3. Use the Go4Schools system to regularly monitor behaviour and learning of all sixth form students in order to identify causes for concern and mentoring opportunities.

4. Communicate with parents/carers over a range of issues e.g. attitudes to learning, attendance and academic progress.
5. With the support of the wider pastoral team, co-ordinate and review the Level 2 parents' evening.
6. Support the establishment of an effective learning environment in student study spaces.
7. Liaise with the careers team to identify and support target students.
8. Support and create opportunities for students to engage with enrichment.
9. Champion an ethos and culture of high standards, resilience and self-belief within the student group through positive communication with students.
10. Attend events in the evening and as required.
11. Conduct duties as appropriate.
12. Lead Acts of Worship.
13. Work alongside Designated Safeguarding Leads to safeguard students by reporting student wellbeing concerns.
14. Support the sixth form team's recruitment of year 11 students into Year 12.
15. Support transition of Year 11 students into Year 12 – by holding early meetings with vulnerable students/students with IEPs etc.
16. Oversee the progression of suitable level 2 students onto Level 3 courses.
17. Ensure students have opportunities to be provided with appropriate advice and guidance for year 12 level 2 students not staying on at Bluecoat.
18. Track and report to the head of sixth form on destinations of level 2 students.
19. Support with induction of new level 2 Year 12 cohort into Sixth Form life.

STAFF CONDUCT

- All employees are expected to familiarise themselves and follow the Trust vision and ethos during their working lives with Archway Learning Trust.
- We are professional people and expect professional conduct (behaviour and language) based on mutual respect, good manners, politeness and common courtesies for all members of our community. We expect that at all times employees behave in a manner that role models positive behaviours for our students to follow.
- Physical violence, verbal abuse and swearing are unacceptable and not tolerated.
- Employees are expected to maintain a professional relationship with students.
- Staff will be fully supported by the Trust at all times in carrying out the behaviour policy.

DRESS CODE

- The Trust expect staff to wear professional business dress mirroring our high expectations of our student dress code.
- Some functions within the Trust are required to wear uniform that will be supplied by the Trust.
- When working in the kitchens or any food outlet at the Trust, staff are expected to wear full protective clothing at all times.

Person Specification – Sixth Form Year Leader		
	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
EDUCATION & TRAINING		
Further or Higher Education	*	
Take responsibility for own professional development and be willing to partake in further in-service or external staff development and training.	*	
EXPERIENCE		
Previous experience of working within an educational setting		*
Knowledge and ability to work effectively and network with a wide range of supporting services in both the public and private sectors		*
Experience of teaching, counselling, youth work, careers, social service or other relevant work	*	
Knowledge of SEN, EAL, PP		*
PROFESSIONAL SKILLS		
Ability to work flexibly in a team situation whilst being able to prioritise, show initiative and work independently, ensuring key routine tasks are achieved within deadlines	*	
Excellent organisational and communication skills with a willingness to respond positively to changing circumstances	*	
Working with others, the ability to assess and review young people and family circumstances and plan appropriate responses	*	
The ability to engage constructively with, and relate to, a wide range of young people and families/carers with different ethnic and social backgrounds	*	
The ability to work effectively with, and command the confidence of, teaching staff and senior leadership within the school	*	
The ability to understand a child's educational and pastoral needs	*	
Ability to identify potential barriers to learning and jointly engage in strategies to overcome these barriers	*	
Ability to develop a coaching role as a long-term activity designed to achieve the goals in the learning action plan	*	
Ability to engage in joint goal setting with the individual child	*	
PERSONAL QUALITIES		
Confidence and independence to work using own initiative	*	
Assertive, enthusiastic, motivated and committed	*	
Ability to work as part of a team understanding Trust and Academy roles and responsibilities and your own position within these.	*	

Good time management skills	*	
Willingness to keep self-up to date with pertinent information and local initiatives, respond to feedback and pass on knowledge and good practice on to others.	*	
Builds and maintains effective relationships with colleagues and stakeholders in a fair and equitable manner	*	
Commitment to Equal Opportunities	*	
Willingness to work within the Christian framework of the Academy	*	
Tact, sensitivity, integrity, good judgement, and a sense of humour.	*	
Suitability to work with children. Enhanced DBS check to be undertaken on appointment	*	