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Dear Applicant,

Re: Appointment of a Teacher (Music) at Brine Leas School

Thank you for your interest in the above-mentioned post.

The governors, staff and students at Brine Leas School are seeking to appoint a dynamic and skilled professional, who will be inspirational and successful.

Brine Leas School is an 11-18, mixed, comprehensive Academy within the Cornovii Trust. Located in the beautiful market town of Nantwich, we are within easy reach of the conurbations of the midlands and northwest of England.

Our core values are Trust, Respect, Optimism, Courage, Resilience, Inclusion and Equality. We are a popular and successful school with a strong commitment to a broad curriculum that meets the needs of all our pupils. We believe in giving pupils life changing and affirming opportunities within our extra-curricular provision. Most pupils stay with us for seven years and enjoy excellent destinations appropriate to their abilities. Many go onto the world's best universities, employers, and careers.

We have a talented, creative, and passionate team of staff who take every opportunity to cultivate an environment in which our pupils can succeed, ask questions, and express their views. We actively encourage opportunities for pupils to think deeply about their work to make sense of the increasingly complicated world in which we live.

The Expressive Arts and PE area are a highly motivated, committed, and innovative team consisting of seven members of staff in the PE department: two in the Music Department and three in the Drama Department. Media is also part of the curriculum area at KS4 and KS5 and taught by a range of specialists across Expressive Arts and English. Several other staff members also contribute to the teaching along with nine peripatetic music tutors and technical support. We are a dedicated team, who work closely together and have designed a curriculum to incorporate a breadth of subjects producing a wide range of excellent examination results in both GCSE, A Level OCR National and BTEC subjects (PE, Drama, Dance, Performing Arts, Sport, Media Studies, Music, and Film Studies). We are a Curriculum Area constantly thriving to provide the best experience to allow students to flourish regardless of background and the school is proud to have been awarded Arts Mark Platinum, celebrating the enormous contribution Expressive Arts and PE has on students' progress and well-being at Brine Leas.

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There is a strong tradition of sporting and extra-curricular activities within the school. Students are encouraged to find and nurture their talents, whatever they may be. We make a large contribution in developing students' confidence, communication and resilience through the many sports teams we offer and a large programme of public performances. An example recently being our successful School show at Crewe Lyceum theatre. We also have a busy sports fixture programme at Brine Leas, with fixtures most weekday evenings and some Saturday mornings. We also work alongside coaches from external agencies and local clubs to ensure a wide delivery of extra-curricular activities for all our students. Many students in school are actively involved in Expressive Arts and PE activities outside the normal timetable with a large peripatetic programme, theatre trips, sports trips and music tours.

Within the area we have a six badminton court sports hall and sprung floor gym complex with extensive sports fields, floodlit tennis courts; a newly refurbished Drama Studio and purpose-built performance space; a music suite with a computer/keyboard room, a multipurpose room and five practice rooms. In the sixth form building, subjects share lecture rooms for lessons and Media and Music have access to a state-of-the-art recording studio, media suite and recently refurbished fitness suite.

We offer a full and high-quality induction programme, including the Early Career Framework for ECTs.

If you believe that you possess the necessary qualities to meet the requirements of this post and you are aligned with our values, then we welcome your application. This and any other queries should be made to Mrs Sharon Houghton, the Human Resources manager, via job.applications@brineleas.co.uk.

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David Cole Headteacher

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