

# Post Title: TEACHER OF GEOGRAPHY – temporary to cover Maternity Leave

We are looking for an outstanding geography teacher to join our enthusiastic and committed department.

This is an excellent opportunity for a highly motivated and inspirational professional who is ready to develop their career in a friendly and supportive school. We welcome applications from either a newly qualified teacher or an experienced practitioner.

The successful candidate will be an outstanding practitioner, with excellent interpersonal skills and will be able to teach across age and ability ranges within our 11-18 school. They will be a person who thrives on a challenge, enjoys working with young people and is passionate about seeing them achieve.

The Eckington School Geography department follow an exciting, varied and topical KS3 curriculum which prepares our pupils for embarking on their GCSE course. Geography is a very popular subject amongst pupils of all ages and is reflected by our GCSE and A Level uptake. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to work within a collaborative department and will get the chance to get involved with revising schemes of work, ensuring the curriculum is engaging and developing enrichment opportunities for all learners.

This is a wonderful opportunity for someone to join an experienced and passionate team, and develop their career in a friendly and supportive environment.

This is a full time post, temporary for 1 year to cover maternity leave with a start date of 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

The closing date for applications is Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 9.00 a.m.

### Job Description

To be an effective professional who demonstrates thorough curriculum knowledge, can teach and assess effectively, take responsibility for professional development and has students who achieve well.

#### **Planning Teaching & Classroom Management**

- identifying clear teaching outcomes and specifying how they will be taught and assessed;
- setting tasks which challenge students and ensure high levels of engagement;
- setting appropriate and demanding expectations;
- setting clear learning goals, building on prior attainment;
- being aware of and making provision for students' differing needs;
- providing clear structures for lessons maintaining pace, motivation and challenge;
- making effective use of assessment and ensure coverage of long term plans;
- building positive relationships with students;
- implementing school's procedures and encouraging good practice with regard to punctuality, behaviour, standards of work and homework;
- using a variety of teaching methods to match approach to content, structure information, present a set of key ideas and use appropriate vocabulary;
- using effective questioning, listening carefully to students, giving attention to errors and misconceptions;
- ensuring students acquire and consolidate knowledge, skills and understanding appropriate to the subject taught;
- ensuring policies relating to student rewards and behaviour managementare implemented to secure a well-ordered learning environment;
- evaluating own teaching critically to improve effectiveness;
- ensuring the effective and efficient deployment of classroom support;
- contributing to the development of schemes of learning in the subject;
- liaising with the Subject Leader to ensure the implementation of department policy and best practice.

#### Monitoring, Assessing, Recording & Reporting

- assess how well learning outcomes have been achieved and use them to improve specific aspects of teaching;
- mark and monitor students' work and set targets for progress;
- assess and record students' progress systematically and keep records to check work is understood and completed, monitor strengths and weaknesses, inform planning and recognise the level at which the student is achieving;
- undertake assessment of students as requested by examination bodies, departmental and school procedures;
- undertake assessment of students and participate in the school's system for reporting to parents.

#### **Pastoral Duties**

- be a Form Tutor to an assigned group of students;
- promote the general progress and well-being of individual students and of the Form Tutor Group as a whole;
- liaise with the Leader of Student Development to ensure the implementation of the academy's pastoral system;
- register students, accompany them to assemblies, encourage their full attendance at all lessons and their participation in other aspects of school life;
- alert appropriate staff to problems experienced by students and make recommendations as to how these may be resolved;
- communicate, as appropriate, with parents of students.

#### **Other Professional Responsibilities**

- have a working knowledge of teachers' professional duties, teacher standards and legal liabilities;
- operate, at all times, within the stated policies and practices of the school, in particular safeguarding responsibilities;
- know subject(s) or specialism(s) to enable effective teaching;
- take account of wider curriculum developments;

- establish effective working relationships and set a good example through their presentation and personal and professional conduct;
- co-operate with other staff to ensure a sharing and effective usage of resources to the benefit of the school, department and students;
- contribute to the corporate life of the school through effective participation in meetings and systems necessary to coordinate the management of the school;
- take part in marketing and liaison activities such as Open Evenings, Parents Evenings and events with partner schools;
- take responsibility for own professional development and duties in relation to school policies and practices including health & safety policies;
- liaise effectively with parents.
- taking part in department extra-curricular activities

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, each individual task undertaken may not be identified. Employees will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from the leadership team to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description.

It is understood that areas of responsibility are from time to time subject to review and are negotiable in the light of the needs of the school and the professional development of the staff.

## Person Specification

	Criteria	How assessed *
Qualifications	Degree or equivalent in an appropriate subject	A/C
	Qualified Teacher Status	A/C
	Teaching or teaching practice across a range of age and ability	A/I/R
Experience  Knowledge  Skills & Abilities	Use of a variety of teaching strategies and approaches	A/I
	Effective teaching and learning in the classroom	A/I/R
	Reflecting on and improving practice to increase student achievement	A/I/R
	Commitment to personal development and development of others	A/I
	Up to date knowledge of the curriculum area	A/I/R
	Thorough knowledge of the role of literacy, numeracy & ICT	A/I
	Importance of teacher standards	A/I
	Strong understanding of national performance measures	A/I
	Principles that promote positive relationships and an excellent climate for learning	A/I
	Excellent classroom teacher or the ability to become one	A/I/R
	Ability to deliver engaging and motivating lessons	A/I/R
	Genuine passion and belief in the potential of every student	A/I
	Ability to develop learning resources and contribute to department schemes of work	A/I/R
	Effective and systematic behaviour management to promote positive relationships	A/I/R
	Good communication, planning and organisation skills	A/I
	Sensitive to the varying needs of young people and individuals	A/I/R

Personal Attributes	Enthusiasm, flair, energy and imagination	A/I
	Strong educational principles based on inclusion and equality	A/I
	Demonstrate resilience, motivation and commitment to raising standards	A/I
	High level of emotional intelligence, honesty and integrity	A/I/R
	Excellent communication skills	A/I
	Willingness to be involved in the full life of the school including extra-curricular activities	A/I
	Good health and attendance record	R
	A commitment to the safeguarding and welfare of students	A/I/R

Eckington School's mission is to help all students to "Achieve Excellence" via quality first teaching, responsive pastoral care and decisive leadership.

We welcome contact to discuss this post, as well as visits to our school.

Completed applications should be returned either by post to: HR, Eckington School, Dronfield Rd, Eckington, Sheffield S21 4GN or by email to <a href="mailto:Sharon.Foster@eck.leap-mat.org.uk">Sharon.Foster@eck.leap-mat.org.uk</a>

The Learner Engagement and Achievement Partnership is committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff to share this commitment. This post involves working with children and therefore if successful you will be required to apply for a disclosure of criminal records check at an enhanced level. Further information about the disclosure of criminal records can be found at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/disclosure-barring-service-check">https://www.gov.uk/disclosure-barring-service-check</a>.

We undertake to make any "reasonable adjustments" to a job or workplace to counteract any disadvantages a disabled person may face



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