

Applicant Pack

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Outstanding Achievement for All

Job Advert – Teacher of Social Sciences with Psychology specialism



Thank you for expressing an interest in the position of Teacher of Social Science with Psychology specialism. Eckington School is an 11-18 comprehensive secondary school in Derbyshire with circa 1260 students on role.

This is an exciting and unique time at Eckington School. On 1st April 2023, Eckington School joined Chorus Academy Trust and on 17th April 2023, it welcomed a new Headteacher. In September 2023, the school also welcomed two new Deputy Headteachers and three new Assistant Headteachers. If successfully appointed, you will be joining a school determined to make rapid improvements to ensure all of Eckington's students receive the very best education that enables them to maximise their full potential.

As part of our values, we are committed to supporting inclusion and diversity at Chorus. We actively celebrate colleagues' different abilities, sexual orientation, ethnicity, faith, and gender. Everyone is welcome and supported in their development at all stages in their journey with us.

You can view the school website at: www.eckington.net

Teacher of Social Science with Psychology Specialism

Payscale MPS 1 to UPS 3

Temporary for 1 year

To start: September 2024

About this vacancy

Eckington School is seeking an outstanding teacher of Social Sciences with a specialism in Psychology. The Social Sciences faculty delivers psychology, sociology, health & social care and criminology. This role would suit an ECT or established teacher.

The successful candidate will teach psychology with some sociology and health and social care.

Benefits include:

- CPD support from one of the largest Teaching Schools, the **Sheffield Teacher Training Alliance**, throughout your career.
- Opportunities to develop skills and experience as part of a growing, local Trust.

Chorus Education Trust is proud to support flexible working arrangements.

To apply

The full application pack is available from www.chorustrust.org/vacancies and completed Chorus Trust application forms are to be sent to Sharon Foster, HR Administrator at: sfoster@chorustrust.org

Please note that CVs and Sheffield City Council/Derbyshire County Council application forms will not be accepted.

Deadline for applications: **12.00pm on Wednesday 29th May 2024.**

Interviews to be held: **Friday 31st May 2024.**

The successful candidate will be required to complete a Disclosure & Barring check in line with the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (ROA) 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 and the Police Act Regulations.

The Trust will also conduct an online search of the successful candidate in line with Keeping Children Safe in Education advice.

At Chorus Trust we are committed to the safeguarding of all our pupils, please visit our website to access our Safeguarding & Child Protection policy www.chorustrust.org/policies.

Job Description: summary

Post title:	Teacher of Social Sciences with Psychology specialism
Group:	M1 – UPS3
Salary point range:	M1 – M6 & UPS1 – UPS3
Reporting to:	Head of Faculty, Senior Leadership Team & Head of School
Line Manager of post holder (if different):	Head of Faculty
Post holder will work with:	All Teaching and Support staff within the School and across the Trust.
Holiday and sickness relief:	By and for other teaching colleagues.
Purpose of job:	To implement and deliver an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated curriculum for students and ensure delivery of high quality teaching and learning for which the teacher is accountable.
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Job Description: duties

The post holder must at all times carry out his/her responsibilities within the spirit of the School and Trust policies and within the framework of legislation relating to Academies and Education, with particular regard to the statutory responsibilities of the Trust and the Governing Body of the School.

The job description should be read alongside the range of professional duties of teachers as set out the Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document. The post-holder will be expected to undertake duties in line with the professional standards for qualified teachers and uphold the professional code of the Department for Education.

The specific duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to:

Teaching

- Plan and teach lessons to the classes they are assigned to teach within the context of the school's plans, curriculum and schemes of work.
- Assess, monitor, record and report on the learning needs, progress and achievements of assigned pupils.
- Participate in arrangements for preparing pupils for external examinations.

Whole school organisation, strategy and development

- Contribute to the development, implementation and evaluation of the school's policies, practices and procedures in such a way as to support the school's values and vision.
- Work with others on curriculum and/or pupil development to secure co-ordinated outcomes.
- Subject to paragraph 52.7 of the STPCD, supervise and so far as practicable teach any pupils where the person timetabled to take the class is not available to do so.

Health, safety and discipline

- Promote the safety and well-being of pupils.
- Maintain good order and discipline among pupils.

Management of staff and resources

- Direct and supervise support staff assigned to them and, where appropriate, other teachers.
- Contribute to the recruitment, selection, appointment and professional development of other teachers and support staff.
- Deploy resources delegated to them.

Professional development

- Participate in arrangements for the appraisal and review of their own performance and, where appropriate, that of other teachers and support staff.
- Participate in arrangements for their own further training and professional development and, where appropriate, that of other teachers and support staff including induction.

Communication

- Communicate with pupils, parents and carers.

Working with colleagues and other relevant professionals

- Collaborate and work with colleagues and other relevant professionals within and beyond the school.

Support for the Trust / School (applies to all roles)

- Be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to an appropriate person.
- Work in a flexible way to respond to the needs of the Trust and to fulfil other duties and responsibilities appropriate to the grade and role as and when required.
- Be aware of and support difference and ensure equal opportunities for all.
- Appreciate and support the role of other professionals.
- Attend and participate in relevant meetings as required.
- Contribute to the overall ethos/work/aims of the Trust/schools.
- Participate in relevant training, other learning activities and performance management as required.
- Team responsibilities: all staff are considered part of the overall Trust team and may be required to provide assistance to colleagues in other areas from time to time commensurate with the role, skillset and grade.

Changes to these duties

The above duties are not exhaustive and the post holder may be required to undertake tasks, roles and responsibilities as may be reasonably assigned to them by the Principal.

The job description and allocation of particular responsibilities will be kept under review and may be amended via consultation with individuals, the Governing Body or Board of Trustees and/or Senior leadership team as required. Trade Union representation will be welcomed in any such discussions.

Person Specification

Job title: Teacher of Social Sciences with Psychology Specialism

REQUIREMENTS	Essential	Desirable	Assessment method A = application I = interview R = reference
Qualifications			
A relevant degree together with Social Science PGCE or equivalent teaching qualification (or currently an ITT/GTP trainee).	✓		A
Evidence of commitment to CPD to support areas of the job role.	✓		A / I / R
Detailed knowledge and understanding of the current issues in English education.	✓		A / I
Experience			
Very good classroom practitioner OR Successful placement(s) teaching Social Sciences at KS3 and KS4 (for applicants currently in training) OR Successful record of teaching Social Sciences including very good exam results at one or more of KS4 and KS5 (for applicants who have already gained QTS).	✓		A / I / R
Contribution to the development of Social Science beyond the classroom.	✓		A / I / R
Ability to devise new resources for learning.	✓		A / I
Knowledge and understanding regarding safeguarding, child protection and Prevent.	✓		A / I / R
Use of student performance data to inform classroom teaching.	✓		A / I

Professional knowledge and understanding			
An enthusiasm for innovation and developing teaching and learning.	✓		A / I / R
An excellent understanding of engagement and how to motivate students.	✓		A / I
A sound understanding of modern pedagogy methods within the field of teaching Social Sciences.	✓		A / I
Detailed knowledge of current developments in education including the use of the Pupil Premium.		✓	A / I
Knowledge and experience of intervention strategies.	✓		A / I
Professional skills			
A high commitment to learning and achievement.	✓		A / I
A passion for education and making a difference.	✓		A / I
Excellent interpersonal, planning and organisational skills.	✓		A / I / R
The ability to collaborate with other staff.	✓		A / I / R
Willingness to contribute to the wider life of the school.	✓		A / I
Commitment to safeguarding and promoting the safety and welfare of young people.	✓		A / I / R
Ability to inspire confidence in and establish excellent relationships with pupils, teachers and parents.	✓		A / I / R