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**Post title: Teaching Assistant**

**Location:** **Fountaindale School, Mansfield, NG18 5BA**

**Status: Permanent**

**Hours: 35hrs per week, term time only**

**Salary: Notts Grade 4 (NJC 08 to NJC 14, £24,702 - £27,334). Actual salary = £20,221- £22,375**

**Start date: ASAP**

**Closing date: Monday 14 October at 10am**

**Interview date: Thursday 17th October**

**The Opportunity**

Are you ready for your next challenge? Can you teach and deliver creatively? Are you passionate about making a real difference to pupils with SEND? Are you nurturing, inclusive, empowering, caring, passionate, enriching, encouraging, child-centred and family focused? Are you ready to inspire the next generation of young minds? Are you a relentless children’s champion? Take a leap and become part of the #FountaindaleFamily.

A vibrant, busy and popular school for children and young people with a range of learning disabilities along with physical and sensory needs. Our pupil cohort is between the ages of 3 and 18 and are well-supported by a highly dedicated and hard-working team of professionals. The school is modern, purpose-built and located in beautiful woodland surroundings. We offer vibrant leaning environments and fun learning spaces including a hydrotherapy pool, minibus, sensory room, woodland walk and outdoor play areas.

At Fountaindale, we believe in holistic support for children and families, with a focus on all aspects of a child’s life: their education, their health and their social needs; we are looking for a Teaching Assistant who not only shares our values, but who actively pursues their delivery. We believe that learning takes place when children feel safe, stimulated and secure where kindness, care and self-belief are the foundations to learning. For further information about the school please visit [Fountaindale School - Home](https://www.fountaindaleschool.org/)

We are looking to appoint a Teaching Assistant who can put children at the centre of their work. The role involves supporting the planning and delivery of high-quality learning and care for children and young people with special educational needs, both in and out of the classroom.

**Do you have:**

* Experience of working with children with special educational needs and challenging behaviour?
* Experience of delivering lessons to either individuals and/or small groups or classes?
* The skills to place pupil learning at the centre of all your practice?
* The ability to make sound judgements on attainment & progress of students, assess and celebrate in their success?
* Excellent interpersonal skills with the ability to enthuse and motivate others?
* Experience of delivering a diverse package of learning & pastoral support to pupils?
* Ability to set appropriate and challenging targets for yourself and others?
* Ability to make and take decisions both individually and as part of a team?
* Ability to contribute to and share quality practice with others?
* Commitment to partnership between staff, parents and students?
* Grade C or above in both English & Maths GCSE or equivalent?

**About Fountaindale**

A vibrant, busy and popular school for children and young people with physical and sensory needs between the ages of 3 and 18. We are located in beautiful woodland surroundings. The school is modern, purpose-built and has facilities such as a hydrotherapy pool, a school minibus, a sensory room, a woodland walk and outdoor play areas.

We warmly welcome visitors to the school. To organise a visit or if you would like an informal and confidential conversation about the role, please contact Karen Redgate, Office Manager on 01623 792671 or email kredgate@nexusmat.org

**About the Trust**

Nexus Multi Academy Trust is a growing, award-winning Trust, founded in 2016. The vision for Nexus is that we are constantly “Learning together, to be the best we can be.” This vision drives our commitment to making our Trust a great place to be, work, and learn.

**How to Apply**

To apply, please complete an application form which can be downloaded from the Nexus Trust website.

Completed application forms are to be returned via email or post to Karen Redgate (School Resource Manager) at kredgate@nexusmat.org or postal address: Fountaindale School, Nottingham Road, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, NG18 5BA

All candidates are advised to refer to the job description and person specification before making an application.

**Nexus Multi Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers 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 and a barred list check. Further information about the Disclosure and Barring Service and can be found at [www.gov.uk/disclosure-barring-service-check](http://www.gov.uk/disclosure-barring-service-check).

We are an equal opportunities employer committed to recruiting and retaining a diverse workforce