



Person specification: Teaching Assistant Grade 5

	Essenti	ial	Desirable
Qualifications and training	Level 3 Childcare Education and Development or similar		Knowledge and understanding of procedures and policies around confidentiality, data protection and sharing of information
AET Trust values	<ul> <li>The successful candidate will be able to meet</li> <li>Aspiration</li> <li>Inclusive and respectful to all our colleagues</li> <li>Keen to keep developing and receptive to change</li> <li>Reflective and learn from mistakes</li> <li>Solution focused</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>the attributes of the Trusts Values:</li> <li>Believe <ul> <li>Passionate and have a positive outlook</li> <li>Confident to share their opinions and ideas and value those of others</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Community</li> <li>Considerate of all</li> <li>Welcoming</li> <li>Adaptable</li> <li>Understanding of the needs of the wider community</li> <li>Look after our own and each other's well being</li> </ul>

## All candidates must be;

- Eligible to work in the UK.
- Open to having the relevant security checks made on them, e.g. an enhanced DBS check.
- Suitable to work with children and young people.

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Knowledge, Experience, Skills and Competency	<ul> <li>Ability to support the teacher in planning, preparing, delivering and evaluating learning activities to ensure effective teaching and learning for a child with a visual impairment: to show attention to detail. Ability to give feedback in a constructive manner, both verbally and in writing, in agreed formats</li> <li>Ability to adapt the school learning environment to minimise the impact of additional barriers presented by visual impairment</li> <li>Ability to keep children and young people safe during day-to-day work activities. Ability to assess the balance between safety and risk, challenge and protection and adjust own behaviour accordingly.</li> <li>Ability to manage own time effectively in order to prepare materials to match deadlines</li> <li>Ability to demonstrate good IT skills, understanding what equipment and packages are routinely used in school and how to use and adapt these to support the child</li> <li>Ability to interact and respond positively to children, young people and adults. Ability to establish and maintain rapport with pupils. Ability to demonstrate verbal and non-verbal</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ability to become an effective member of staff. Ability to work effectively with colleagues, outside agencies. Parents and other practitioners particularly in the parallel class</li> <li>Ability to take an active role in developing own professional skills and expertise in particular in learning to read and type in braille: a willingness to develop personal understanding of equipment that can support the child's learning and undertake practice to become proficient with the support of other professionals</li> <li>Ability to scaffold learning at appropriate times and recognising when to withdraw support to foster independence in life skills and academic learning: to promote creative problem solving</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Be familiar with and able to set in motion accident/emergency, safety, safeguarding and welfare procedures, according to school/setting policies and procedures</li> <li>Ability to touch type or willingness to learn to do so to in order to model and support the child in their use of this</li> <li>Demonstrate a positive, can-do attitude</li> <li>Knowledge and understanding of strategies relating to inclusive practice, praise, assistance, rewards and sanctions, to use when supporting pupils' learning.</li> <li>Knowledge and understanding of literacy and numeracy strategies and resources that present a high level of challenge</li> <li>Knowledge of the practical application of special educational needs strategies</li> <li>Knowledge and understanding of how to maintain the health, safety and well-being of pupils when outside the school setting: to listen and respond to the voice of the child and be proactive in identifying adaptations to suit the child</li> <li>Knowledge and interest in understanding IT that specifically supports a child with visual impairement</li> <li>Willingness to work flexibly over the agreed hours in order to support the child to access PE, lunch breaks, after school clubs and school trips: support</li> </ul>

communication skills when dealing with children, colleagues, parents, carers, families and other practitioners.	<ul> <li>Value people equally, supporting an inclusive ethos.</li> <li>Ability to listen and observe children/young people and share observational findings effectively: to contribute effectively to reviews and assessments</li> <li>Ability to support the child in adjusting to new situations and settings, offeing reassurance and responding to signs of distress</li> </ul>	the pupil in maintaining social relationships  • Willingness to develop personal understanding of the child's specific condition so as to anticpate likel y barriers and further deveop rapport