

Temporary Teaching Assistant Level 3 (Maternity Cover)

Required from 1st September 2026 to 28th May 2027

Governors of this popular, successful and oversubscribed 11-16 High School are seeking to appoint a committed, motivated and enthusiastic temporary Teaching Assistant – Level 3 (Grade 7) to provide support for students with SEND needs so that they are able to access a full school life in order to progress and develop. Achievement of SEND students has improved in recent years, but we cannot become complacent and need to develop our provision further, making full use of all available resources whilst meeting the statutory requirements for appropriate SEND provision.

The successful applicant will be employed to work 29.35 hours per week (term time only + 3 additional days worked during periods of school closure). You will gain experience across all year groups/departments/subject areas and be a key support for the school by joining a dedicated and supportive team. You will provide high quality support to students across KS3 and KS4, to ensure that they are on track with their learning.

The Elton High School is a significantly oversubscribed school with a tradition of excellence. Our most recent Ofsted inspection (February 2026) reiterated the strengths that had been confirmed in the previous reports. The inspection team noted that “Pupils describe feeling happy, safe and proud of their school.” Our students achieve well, with the inspectors being particularly impressed with relationships between students and staff, describing them as “warm, respectful and trusting.”

The success of our school is built on the expertise of our high-quality staff. We have a strong system of staff training in place aimed at developing the very best practice, moreover we have a constant focus on ensuring that all of our team feel supported to give of their best and to have a work life balance. We pride ourselves on taking a proactive approach to promoting the well-being of everyone in our school community and consistently review opportunities to further promote staff well-being.

This is a fantastic opportunity for an experienced Teaching Assistant (Level 3) to contribute to our next steps in pushing Elton to realise its potential as one of the very best schools in the Greater Manchester area.

The school has excellent transport links with the M60, M61, M62 and M66 Motorways crisscrossing the area plus the Metrolink Light Rapid Transit system with a fast and frequent service from Bury centre through Manchester city centre to East Didsbury.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. Appointment is subject to a satisfactory enhanced disclosure from the DBS. Please note that, in line with Keeping Children Safe in Education 2022, an online search will be carried out as part of our due diligence on shortlisted candidates.

Further information can be provided by Ms Topham, SENDCO, via email:

tophamj@eltonhigh.bury.sch.uk

Please do not hesitate to contact Ms Topham if you wish to arrange a visit to the school.

Please visit our website for further details and to download an application pack.

Closing date: Friday 19th June 2026 at 9 am