

# Application pack Teacher of Physical Education, Lacrosse Specialist

I am delighted to provide an application pack for the role of Teacher of Physical Education at Guildford High School.

Founded in 1888 and located in Guildford, Surrey, Guildford High School is an academically selective day school for girls aged 4-18. Girls learn how to learn, how to think creatively and how to take responsibility for their work.

Our staff are integral to delivering high quality education to the girls in our care, inspiring them to think and learn creatively. Guildford High provides a highly stimulating and collaborative working environment and we seek to recruit and retain dynamic and inspirational teaching and non-teaching staff that share in our vision and commitment. I would encourage you to visit our website or view our latest film to find out more about our school: <a href="http://www.guildfordhigh.surrey.sch.uk/">http://www.guildfordhigh.surrey.sch.uk/</a> and <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eGqp3WRcEcg">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eGqp3WRcEcg</a>

The application pack contains the following documents:

- Job description and person specification
- Terms and conditions of service
- How to apply and guidance for applicants
- Safeguarding and equal opportunities statements
- Application Form
- Applicant Monitoring Form
- Confidential Disclosure

Please ensure that you return your completed application form, applicant monitoring form and confidential disclosure to me via email: <u>human.resources@guildfordhigh.co.uk</u> no later than 5<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

Unless you stipulate otherwise, we retain all applications for up to six months.

If you have a disability that requires any specific requirements, please let me know when applying so that I can make the necessary arrangements.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for the interest that you have shown in employment at Guildford High School and for the investment of your time in this process. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or my colleague Maria Drew, on 01483 543 862 if either of us can be of further assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Susie Mooney HR Manager

Headmistress: Fiona Boulton BSc (Hons), MA



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# Guildford High School - Job Description Teacher of Physical Education, Lacrosse Specialist

#### Senior school 11-18

### Full time, to commence April or September 2018

The Senior School Physical Education Department is lively, dynamic, hardworking and extremely successful team. There are ten members of specialist PE staff who teach throughout the 11-18 age range, plus three others who teach in the Junior School (4-11 years).

Facilities at the school are excellent. On the main school site there is a well-equipped gymnasium and at the Sports Centre, which is about 400 metres up the road, there are outstanding facilities including an indoor sports hall, swimming pool (25 metres x 6 lanes), fitness suite and a large social area. Outside this building there is a lacrosse pitch and five netball courts, which become six tennis courts in the summer. Stoke Park, which is adjacent to the school grounds, supplies extra lacrosse pitches for lessons and Saturday matches, whilst the Spectrum Leisure Centre, which is only a short distance away, provides an all-weather athletics track and other recreational opportunities for Sixth Formers. The P.E. Department also uses the Surrey Sports Park for activities such as hockey, climbing, squash and extra lacrosse training.

The main curricular subjects for Years 7, 8 and 9 are gymnastics, dance, lacrosse, netball, swimming, athletics, rounders and tennis. In Years 9, 10 and 11 the girls follow a more varied programme of sports, including badminton, basketball, dance, fitness, football, squash, synchronised swimming, trampolining, volleyball, water polo, yoga and zumba. Sixth formers also have a compulsory lesson of recreational PE each week, following their own special programme of activities, which includes a further range of options like climbing, golf, martial arts, ice-skating and spinning.

In the Sixth Form, the OCR Board AS and A2 PE examinations are offered and GCSE PE is taught with Edexcel.

Enthusiasm for Physical Education and extra-curricular sport in the school is considerable and a full, busy fixture list is maintained in all the major sports. Matches are held after school during the week and lacrosse matches regularly take place on Saturdays. County Netball Tournaments and other competitions also take place at weekends during the course of the year. Team practices and clubs are held at lunchtimes as well as before and after school. The schools' teams are notably strong and all have an excellent record of success locally as well as at a higher level. Many girls represent the district and county in a variety of sports and some also progress to territorial and national level.

For this post, we are seeking a well-qualified, enthusiastic and highly motivated teacher, who is willing to be flexible, adaptable and work as part of a team. They must be prepared to participate fully in the school's demanding schedule of fixtures and extra-curricular activities during the week and at weekends, with a keen attitude and ability to promote and maintain the school's high standards. Expertise and the ability to teach and coach lacrosse to a high standard is essential. Flexibility in teaching across the curriculum, including gymnastics and a variety of other minor sports, is fundamental and we anticipate that the successful applicant will have, or be able to gain up-to-date life-saving qualifications for the teaching of swimming. Coaching expertise in one of the schools minor team sports like badminton, may be an advantage.

# Guildford High School – Person Specification Teacher of Physical Education, Lacrosse Specialist

## Senior school 11-18

Full time, to commence April or September 2018

Applicants will already need to have the legal right to work and reside in the UK.

Specification	Essential
Qualifications	<ul> <li>A record of good academic achievement including a relevant honours degree (2.i or above)</li> <li>PGCE, QTS, or the ability to obtain QTS via the ITT scheme.</li> </ul>
Skills and experience	<ul> <li>High standard of expertise in Lacrosse</li> <li>Excellent oral and written English skills</li> <li>Lifesaving qualification (or be willing and able to achieve this in the near future) and experience in teaching swimming</li> <li>Ability to teach gymnastics and/or dance</li> <li>Confident use of computer technology, including electronic communication and teaching with iPads</li> </ul>
Personal qualities	<ul> <li>High levels of personal and professional integrity</li> <li>Commitment to academic excellence</li> <li>High degrees of self-confidence, personal energy and dynamism</li> <li>Personal warmth, good rapport with pupils, colleagues and parents</li> <li>Excellent organisational skills</li> <li>Appropriate levels of personal presentation</li> </ul>
Teaching and Learning	<ul> <li>Excellent knowledge of the relevant curriculum</li> <li>Evidence of creative and innovative approach to teaching and learning including the appropriate use of ICT</li> <li>Commitment to improving, monitoring and evaluating teaching and learning</li> </ul>
Philosophy and Ethos	<ul> <li>A commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people</li> <li>High expectations for pupil attainment, personal development and conduct</li> <li>Commitment to best practice in pastoral support and student welfare</li> <li>Commitment to helping with extra-curricular activities and curriculum enrichment</li> </ul>

# Guildford High School – Terms and Conditions Teacher of Physical Education, Lacrosse Specialist

#### Contract type

Permanent, full time.

#### Salary

United Learning has a competitive salary range.

## Accountability

This post is accountable to the Director of Sport.

## Start date

Either April or September 2018.

#### Benefits

A range of benefits are offered including staff development, contributory pension scheme, cycle to work scheme, childcare vouchers, car lease scheme, discounted gym memberships, health and dental plans, Tastecard and lunch is provided free of charge during term time.

# Guildford High School – How to apply Teacher of Physical Education, Lacrosse Specialist

A completed application form, applicant monitoring form and confidential disclosure for the attention of Mrs Susie Mooney, HR Manager, to <u>human.resources@guildfordhigh.co.uk</u>

Applicants selected for interview will be informed within 10 days of the closing date for application. We do endeavour to respond to all applications; however, applicants who have not heard from the School by this time must assume that, on this occasion, their application has been unsuccessful.

Short-listed candidates will need to bring proof of their qualifications and their right to work in the UK to interview and be aware that references will be requested prior to interview.

Closing date: 5<sup>th</sup> November 2017

# **Guidance for Applicants**

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

The application form, as opposed to curriculum vitae (CV), is used to ensure that information is presented in a standardised format and that only the details that we require are provided.

As the information contained on the form is used during the selection process, it is essential that you complete all sections as fully as possible. If there is not enough space provided on the form, please continue on a separate sheet of paper rather than attaching a CV. On each additional sheet that you use, please write your name and the post applied for, together with the section that you are answering.

- It is preferable that you complete this form in typescript. If this is not possible please use black or blue ink as parts of the form may be photocopied.
- If any section does not apply to you, please write N/A.

The following notes are intended to assist you with the completion of the application form:

# **Current Employment**

This section requests the details of your current employment. You should:

- Provide a brief description of the duties and responsibilities held during this employment.
- Include any duties that you consider to be of particular relevance to the position for which you are applying.
- Provide the name and address of your present employer.
- Provide details of your current salary or rate of pay.
- Indicate how much notice you are required to give to your current employer.
- If you are not currently employed, please mark the section N/A.

## **Employment History**

- Provide details of all previous employment, including that of a voluntary nature. The information should be provided in date order, starting with the most recent and working back.
- Include the dates of employment, a brief summary of your responsibilities in the role, your final salary and reason for leaving. Please do not include details of your current employment in this section.
- If you have any gaps in your employment history, please provide the dates and a brief explanation.

## Education

Provide details of the secondary school(s) that you attended and include details of any examinations taken, results obtained, scholarships and other distinctions awarded.

## **Further Education**

- Provide details of the college(s) or university(ies) that you attended and include details of any examinations taken, results obtained, scholarships and other distinctions awarded.
- Please attach photocopies of documentary evidence of your qualifications.

## **Professional and Vocational Qualifications**

- Provide details of technical, professional and occupational training.
- Provide details of relevant training, apprenticeships, articles, evening, full-time day or day release courses, correspondence courses or company courses.
- Please attach photocopies of documentary evidence of your training or qualifications.

#### **Personal Statement**

Use this section to provide relevant information about yourself and how you meet the criteria detailed in the person specification for the role. Please limit this section to no more than two sides of A4.

#### Referees

- Please provide the details of two people who may be approached for a reference.
- If you are employed, one referee must be connected to your current employer i.e. your line manager.
- Where you have previously worked with children but are not currently doing so, please provide reference details in respect of the last employer for whom you worked with children.
- If you are a college or school leaver, please give details of a teacher or tutor.
- A suitable second referee would be a previous employer, business associate or leader/organiser of a voluntary organisation.
- Personal referees, such as friends, family or those with whom you have any other significant relationship, are not suitable.
- Please note that references may be sought prior to interview.

#### **Personal Relationships**

Please provide the name and position of any relative, friend or acquaintance employed or associated with United Learning, or if you have daughter at the school.

#### Declaration

Please ensure that you read this statement and that you sign and date the application.

#### **Applicant Monitoring Form**

Please complete this form to facilitate applicant monitoring. This form will be removed from your application form as soon as we receive it and will not be used as part of the selection process.

#### **Confidential Disclosure**

By virtue of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975, Section 4(2) of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act does not apply to this application as the post involves substantial opportunity of access to children. This means that you may not withhold information about previous convictions, cautions, reprimands bind-overs or warnings on the grounds that it is otherwise 'spent'.

All criminal convictions must be declared. Failure to do so may result in your application being disqualified or, if discovered after appointment, may be regarded as grounds for dismissal.

If you wish, you may submit information in a sealed envelope, marked for the confidential attention of the Head Teacher of the School to which you are applying.



# Safeguarding

Guildford High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all who work at the School to share this commitment. Successful applicants will be subject to child protection screening appropriate to the post including an enhanced disclosure through the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and checks with previous employers

# **United Learning Child Protection Statement**

United Learning is fully committed to the safeguarding of children – ensuring the wellbeing of the child is paramount. For pupils to feel that they are able to do their best and achieve their true potential, it is important that they feel safe and supported in the school environment.

Everyone working within our schools and academies, whatever their role, is acutely aware that issues to do with the protection of children are of the highest possible importance. Trust underpins everything that we do in schools. The parents of our pupils entrust the care of their children to us and together we are all responsible for their wellbeing.

In relation to safeguarding, United Learning aims to 'prevent', 'protect' and 'support' all its pupils by addressing child protection in the curriculum, pastoral activities and in the management of the school, and by empowering and enabling staff to be vigilant for vulnerable students through training and information dissemination.

## **Policies and Procedures**

All United Learning schools have policies which deal with safeguarding, child protection and safer recruitment, which are in accordance with the relevant local authority procedures and which comply with the DFE's safeguarding children and safer recruitment statutory guidance. The individual school policies are available via each school's website or by contacting the school directly.



# **Equal Opportunities Statement**

United Church Schools Trust and United Learning Trust ("United Learning") have an Equal Opportunities Policy, which has been agreed by United Learning Trust's recognised trade unions.

Below is United Learning's Equal Opportunities Statement. If you would like to see the complete Policy, it can be accessed on The Hub or by contacting your school.

To ensure that United Learning develops and maintains a working environment in which each individual has complete equality of opportunities.

To ensure that individuals do not suffer discrimination directly or indirectly as a result of their employment with United Learning or deny their application for a position within United Learning.

Yours sincerely

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Mandy Coalter Director of People

