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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the post of Teacher of Maths at Sedgefield Community College.

Housed in a recently opened, well equipped building, Sedgefield has established a reputation as one of the North East's consistently highest achieving 11-16 schools. During its most recent OFSTED inspection the school was considered to be a 'good' school overall, and one where inspectors described classrooms as 'harmonious places to learn'. However, we are a school that has made significant improvements since that inspection, and believe that soon we will be recognised as outstanding in all respects. We are currently looking to recruit a high calibre Maths professional who has the potential to help us meet our goal of providing consistently outstanding teaching and learning.

Whilst the college is situated within the picturesque market town of Sedgefield within a rural area of County Durham, its student intake is quite comprehensive in nature with students attending the college from a range of communities within a variety of socio economic settings. However, students enter Year Seven with levels of attainment, SEND and entitlement to free school meals broadly in line with national averages.

Our Maths faculty has, for some time, been one of the very highest achieving across the entire North East region. This success is built upon a foundation of high quality teaching and outstanding leadership. The Maths team is made up of excellent teachers who are highly supportive of one another and whose skill and enthusiasm for their subject has resulted in outstanding student outcomes, exemplary student engagement and a tangible shared aspiration to ensure that students achieve the highest possible grades.

As a school we have proven over recent years that we have the experience, expertise and supportive structures needed to ensure that newly appointed teachers, and particularly those who may have recently qualified, can rapidly develop into outstanding professionals. In addition, we are confident that the successful applicant will agree with our our assertion that Sedgefield is a happy and welcoming place in which to teach and progress. If you feel that Sedgefield sounds right for you, and you have the personal and professional characteristics required to ensure that students achieve highly coupled with the ability to inspire students to engage in the subject, then we would like to hear from you.

Applicants should complete an application form and indicate through a letter (no more than two sides of A4) addressing the person specification and the accompanying notes.

Application materials can be downloaded from the vacancies section of the school website <u>www.sedgefieldcommunitycollege.co.uk</u> Completed applications are to be returned to <u>personnel@sedgefield.cc</u>

The closing date for applications is: Interviews to be held on:

Monday 5th December 2016 (12 noon) Week commencing 5th December 2016

The Headteacher, Dave Davies, welcomes informal discussion; please telephone should you wish to talk to him on 01740 625300.

Yours Sincerely

Mr D. Davies Headteacher