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Dear Colleague,

I am delighted to provide an application pack for the role of Teacher of Law at Rochdale Sixth Form College. Hopefully, the information provided will be of interest and help you in taking your application forward.

The College has developed a very strong reputation since opening in 2010. For the fourth consecutive year the College is the first placed Sixth Form College in the country for A Level progress, as published in the Department for Education Performance Tables 2017. The College is involved in supporting other institutions through its designation as a National Support School by the National College for Teaching and Leadership and the Principal is a National Leader of Education.

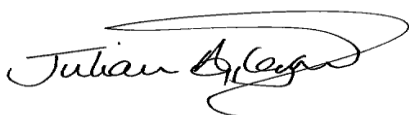
The College was first inspected by Ofsted in 2013 and was only the second sixth form college in the UK to be graded outstanding under the Common Inspection Framework at the time.

The College is extremely keen to ensure that we maintain the progress made so far so that the young people in the Borough receive a first class sixth form experience. We strive to ensure our community of students are truly valued as individuals. It is crucial that we at all times are positive and aim to continuously build self-confidence and belief into our students; this means embracing a "you can do it culture" within a "we can do it" framework that will inspire our young people to learn. Our aspirations for the trajectory of improvement remain high, and we continue to focus on creating happy successful students.

To work at RSFC you must aspire to be an outstanding colleague and be willing to share and learn. Above all else, all staff at RSFC must like all young people and aspire to make them outstanding citizens who have real self-belief and feel good about themselves. RSFC is no place for cynics and we wish to appoint positive people who want to make a difference. Clearly, working at RSFC will be demanding. However, I assure you that as a colleague you will be of great value and importance and in return provide staff with excellent support, a professional development programme and the resources to carry out a first class job.

I am very proud of what we have achieved at RSFC and there is a continued moral dimension to the work ahead. Recruiting and selecting people with the right values has been, and will continue to be, crucial as the College moves to the next phase of its development.

Finally, I would say that I do appreciate how long it takes to apply for jobs (I've done quite a few in my time). Please don't send a general letter; we are looking for someone who is prepared to respond to us as an individual College. You can be sure we will take time and care in reading your letter. If you do decide to apply, I appreciate your investment of time and whatever the outcome, I wish you well in the future.



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