Ref: DD / PW

Date: November 2016



Dear Applicant,

Re: Teacher of Modern Foreign Languages - MPR/UPR (potential TLR for suitably experienced applicant)

Housed in a modern well equipped building, Sedgefield continues to be both the highest attaining school in County Durham, and consistently amongst the highest performing of all 306 North East secondary schools. Our most recent OFSTED inspection in 2013 led the school to be judged as 'good' 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 expect to be formally recognised as 'outstanding' in all respects during our next inspection. We are currently looking to recruit a high calibre Teacher of French with the ability to teach a second language (German or Spanish), and the ability to help our students achieve highly.

Whilst the college is situated within the picturesque market town of Sedgefield within a rural area of County Durham, its student intake is 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 above national average and with both levels of SEN and free school meals on par with national averages.

The Modern Foreign Languages faculty is made up of a committed team of specialist teachers delivering French at key stage 3 and both French and German (currently) at key stage 4. At Key stage four increasing numbers of students follow Languages, these students being typically the college's most able students, the majority of whom also being highly aspirational and committed to achieving the highest grades possible across all subjects they follow. In 2016 student attainment in MFL built upon the significant improvements seen in 2015, however students do not yet make the levels of progress seen across other subjects at Sedgefield.

We feel this vacancy offers a fantastic opportunity, not only to those new to teaching, but also teachers with some experience who would like to further develop as a professional in an innovative, dynamic environment.

If you feel you are ready to accept the challenge this role presents, have the experience and skills we need and feel that Sedgefield is right for you, then both the governors and myself would welcome your application.

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

The closing date for applications is:

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