

PERSON SPECIFICATION – Personal Assistant to Executive Principal

The successful candidate will meet the following person specification. Please note that the listed criteria will form the basis of the selection process. Applicants should address all elements of the Person Specification, indicating experience and where appropriate citing supporting examples within their application.

Qualifications & Training	Essential/Desirable	How Identified
Record of recent up to date and relevant safeguarding training	D	Application
Computer literate	E	form/Interview/
Willingness to undergo further training	D	Task (if
		applicable)
Knowledge & Experience	Essential/Desirable	How Identified
Knowledge of all aspects of Microsoft office e.g. Desktop Publishing, Presentation,	E	Application form
Spreadsheet, Word processing, Email and the Internet		References
Working knowledge of relevant policies, codes of practice and awareness of relevant	D	Interview
legislation		
Understanding the roles of Ofsted and DfE	D	
Experience of dealing with people at all levels	E	
Experience of development, management and operation of administrative systems	E	
Experience of researching and analysing information	E	
Experience of working in a school environment	E	
The ability to work independently and use initiative to identify, prioritise and respond to issues	E	
that arise		
The ability to problem solve on a daily basis	E	
Ability to communicate effectively with good interpersonal skills	E	
Ability to work to competing deadlines	E]
Self-motivation	E	
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Good written skills and a flexible approach to work	E	



Good communication skills with the ability to relate to all stakeholders on all levels in a	E	
confident and diplomatic way		
Good interpersonal skills and a flexible approach to work, with the ability to negotiate	E	
successful outcomes to often conflicting issues		
Personal Attributes	Essential/Desirable	How Identified
Flexible and adaptable	E	Application
Able to communicate effectively	E	form/Interview/
Energetic and hardworking	E	Task (if
Self-motivated	E	applicable)
A supportive and co-operative team member	E	
Standards driven	E	
A positive attitude and commitment to equality	E	
Encourages ideas, initiative and innovation in others	E	
Highly motivated with an ability to work under pressure	E	
Ability to manage own time well to meet competing demands	E	
Ability to work outside normal Academy hours in line with Academy and community needs	E	
Equal Opportunities	Essential/Desirable	How Identified
Candidates should indicate an acceptance of, and a commitment to, the principles of the	E	Application
Academy's Equal Rights policies and practices as they relate to employment issues and to the		form/Interview/
delivery of services to the community		Task (if
Commitment to equal opportunities policies relating to gender, race and disability in an	E	applicable)
educational context		
Safeguarding	Essential/Desirable	How Identified
Commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children and young people	E	Application
Has up to date knowledge of relevant legislation and guidance in relation to working with	D	form/Interview/
young people		Task (if
		applicable)