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HEAD OF DEPARTMENT PERSON SPECIFICATION	Assessment Key: A Application Form I Interview		
Education and Qualification	Essential	Desirable	Assessment
English and Mathematics GCSE or equivalent	✓		A/I
Qualified Teacher Status	\checkmark		A/I
Degree or other higher education equivalent	\checkmark		A/I
Commitment to personal/professional development	\checkmark		A/I
Experience	Essential	Desirable	Assessment
Experience of effectively managing and leading people	✓		A/I
Experience of leading successful workshops and/or training events at		✓	A /I
Academy level and at department level		×	A/I
Experience of monitoring, tracking, assessing and measuring student	✓		A /I
progress and attainment at department level	v		A/I
Knowledge and Understanding	Essential	Desirable	Assessment
Understanding of what constitutes excellent teaching and learning	✓		I
Knowledge and understanding of planning a curriculum which	✓		A/I
produces maximum achievement for all students			
Understanding of how to evaluate and analyse a range of different	✓		I
data	v		
Skills and Attributes	Essential	Desirable	Assessment
Skilled at establishing good working relationships with colleagues	\checkmark		A/I
Skilled at delegating effectively and holding others to account	\checkmark		A/I
Good communication skills	\checkmark		I
Skilled at generating ideas and driving initiatives which significantly	\checkmark		
improve student progress, achievement and attainment	•		1
Skilled at utilising lesson observations to improve the quality of	\checkmark		A/I
teaching and learning across the Academy			~/1
Skilled at delivering support and coaching programmes to teachers in			
order to improve the quality of teaching, learning within the	\checkmark		A/I
department			
Skilled at presenting a coherent, understandable and accurate account			
of the Department's performance to a range of audiences which may		✓	A/I
include governors, parents, students and Ofsted			
Personal Qualities	Essential	Desirable	Assessment
High expectations of students and colleagues	✓		A/I
Enthusiastic and committed	✓		I
A passion for teaching and learning	✓		
Open-mindedness	✓		I
A forward-thinking approach	✓		A/I
Excellent interpersonal skills	✓		I
Ability to be reflective and self-critical	✓		I
Display calmness under pressure	\checkmark		I