



Job Application Pack Teacher of Music

Permanent, Full Time
Salary: MPS/UPS

Welcome from the CEO



Archway Learning Trust is a vibrant learning community where students are cared for, receive a high quality education and experience every opportunity to be successful.

School years are amongst the most important in our lives, helping us to develop the knowledge, skills and characteristics we need to succeed. At Archway Learning Trust, we are committed to giving every child the very best start that we can. We offer outstanding teaching and learning and exceptional personal support in an inclusive, faith based environment. I became a teacher because I believe in equal opportunities for everyone.

I also believe that every child has the right to an excellent education. Learning is at the heart of any good society and the opportunity to learn from teachers who are committed, enthusiastic and innovative is a right that all children should have.

Our mission is to help children to understand and believe in themselves, respect and care for others and to develop a wide understanding of faith, the world around them and their place within it. The determination of our youngsters to succeed, and the passion of our teachers to make a difference, makes me proud to be Chief Executive Officer of this diverse and dynamic family of academies.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Hampton".

Sian Hampton

About the Trust

Archway Learning Trust, previously Bluecoat Academies Trust was formed in April 2014 as a result of the very long and successful history of Bluecoat Academy. The Trust comprises of Bluecoat Aspley Academy which includes the Sixth Form, Bluecoat Wollaton Academy, Bluecoat Beechdale Academy and Bluecoat Primary Academy and The Nottingham Emmanuel School and Sixth Form. We are expanding by three further secondary schools in Derby early in 2021 and opening Bluecoat Trent Academy, a secondary Free School in Nottingham in September 2021.

Our aim as a Trust is to be recognised nationally and internationally as we develop our innovative approach to inclusive, enriching and balanced cross curricular teaching, preparing young people for lifelong learning based firmly on our Christian principles.

The growth of the Trust is a truly exciting time for prospective candidates who are looking to further their careers in a dynamic learning community that has opportunity at every point to share and learn from each other in order to become the best that we can be.



Bluecoat Aspley Academy



Bluecoat Beechdale Academy



Bluecoat Primary Academy



Bluecoat Wollaton Academy



Nottingham Emmanuel School

Bluecoat Aspley Academy

Bluecoat Aspley Academy has over 1500 students, including over 550 in the Sixth Form. Bluecoat Academy Aspley is the largest school in the Trust and was the founder of Archway Learning Trust (previously known as Bluecoat Academies Trust). The Academy is both distinctively Christian and inclusive with all students being part of the large, diverse and multi ethnic family that we are very proud to be a part of. Bluecoat Aspley Academy holds a strong and positive reputation within the city benefitting from its long history, success and prominent position.



Bluecoat Aspley
believe in yourself, in others, in God



Bluecoat Wollaton
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Bluecoat Wollaton Academy

Bluecoat Wollaton Academy has over 800 learners aged 11-16 and is both distinctively Christian and inclusive with a relentless ambition to enable every member of our Academy 'family' to be the best they can be. Bluecoat Wollaton was graded as 'Outstanding' in all categories in its recent Ofsted inspection in 2018 and has a strong pastoral and academic reputation across the city. It is also pioneering some new approaches to curriculum and the celebration of knowledge at the heart of that. The school's outcomes place it in the top 10% in the country and visitors frequently comment on how the children are polite and keen to learn.

Bluecoat Beechdale Academy

Bluecoat Beechdale Academy is a growing school, with almost 900 students on roll. The numbers have increased each year since our sponsorship began and we are delighted with the growing confidence that local families are expressing by making Beechdale their first choice school in increasing numbers. Bluecoat Beechdale Academy is not formally designated as a Church of England Academy, but shares the ethos and many of the Archway values.



**Bluecoat Beechdale
Academy**
Believe, Belong, Achieve



Bluecoat Primary
believe in yourself, in others, in God

Bluecoat Primary Academy

Bluecoat Primary Academy opened in January 2015. The primary school is located nearer our Bluecoat Beechdale Academy in a brand new state of the art building on Harvey Road and this new accommodation will be home to 420 primary aged children; 26 three year olds and like Bluecoat Aspley and Bluecoat Wollaton Academy is both distinctively Christian and inclusive.

The Nottingham Emmanuel School

The Nottingham Emmanuel School is a Church of England secondary and Sixth Form, with 1,000 students, including over 140 in the Sixth Form. The £25 million site is located near the banks of the River Trent in West Bridgford. The School is a diverse community, serving families and students from every academic, social, faith and ethnic background. Emmanuel has been praised nationally for its outstanding work as an effective, inclusive Church school.



Bluecoat SCITT Alliance
Nottingham

Bluecoat SCITT

Based at Sherwood Rise, the Bluecoat SCITT offers school based Teacher training in a range of schools and subjects. As an accredited provider of school based teacher training, we are committed to training OUTSTANDING teachers to work within the East Midlands region. Our comprehensive one year School Direct Training Programme is offered for both Primary and Secondary trainees, as well as a salaried option in certain subjects.

Bluecoat Beechdale Academy – Principal

Bluecoat Beechdale Academy offers a professional and caring learning environment that enables every member of our Academy to be the best they can be. We have high aspirations for ourselves, our students and the community we serve. Bluecoat Beechdale Academy is a truly diverse Academy that welcomes students and staff from all backgrounds. Becoming a member of Bluecoat Beechdale Academy means a welcome into the Archway family. The Academy has grown to become a strong member of the Archway Learning Trust, playing our part in continuing the tradition of excellent education for children from the City of Nottingham and beyond.



We are thrilled that, in February 2017, Ofsted recognised the many wonderful opportunities that we are providing for our students. In particular Ofsted acknowledged the tremendous progress that has been made at the school since the last inspection of our predecessor school in 2013. It is a great source of pride for everyone connected with Bluecoat Beechdale Academy that we have made huge strides to improve in all key areas and received **'Good'** judgements in teaching and learning, outcomes, leadership and the overall effectiveness of the Academy. We make no apologies for the high standards that we have here at Bluecoat Beechdale Academy. We expect our staff to role model excellent behaviour, attendance and attitudes to learning for our students. This was evident to the Ofsted inspection team who made the following observations:

"All pupils are being well prepared for [the] next stage of their education, training and employment, because the school ensures that they leave with the skills they need to prosper"

"Teachers have good subject knowledge, which they use to enthuse pupils. They have high expectations of what pupils can achieve and work hard to ensure that pupils share these aspirations."

"Extra-curricular opportunities are extensive and exemplary."

"The school has a clear behaviour policy, which sets high standards for pupils' conduct."

Ofsted, February 2017

As further recognition of the improvements made at the academy, in November 2017 Bluecoat Beechdale was named as **'School of the Year'** in the Nottingham Post Education Awards.

Unlike other academies within Archway Learning Trust, Bluecoat Beechdale is not formally designated as a Church of England academy, but shares the ethos and many of the Bluecoat values.

As Principal, I am passionately committed to excellence for all. I believe that all students have three fundamental rights when they come to school: The right to feel happy, the right to feel safe, and the right to learn. We make no apologies for the unequivocally high standards that we have here at Bluecoat Beechdale Academy; we expect students to have excellent behaviour, attendance and attitudes to learning following role modelled behaviours from our staff. We also expect our staff to be excellent too, by delivering inspirational teaching that ignites a love of learning and instils a belief in learners that anything is possible. A similar commitment to increasing the cultural capital of our students is vital.

The Vacancy

The Performing Arts Faculty at Bluecoat Beechdale Academy aims to see all students begin or develop their musical performance, composition and listening skills, through a variety of topics that include different genres. From basic music skills in KS3 to the development of sophisticated performers and composers in KS4, our aim is for Music to play a central role in developing the creativity of our students.

We are keen that students have an opportunity to extend their interest and enthusiasm for Music by taking part in a range of extra-curricular activities such as clubs, visits and competitions. We would welcome any contribution you could make to these activities at the Trust. Above all, we wish to appoint imaginative and enthusiastic teachers, who will be keen to work alongside a team determined to create an excellent Academy.

The Music department is in its infancy, and this is a very exciting opportunity for a talented individual to drive the development of Music at BBA, supported by an experienced subject leader for performing arts. Wider support is offered by colleagues from across the Trust.

Whilst employed to work predominantly at one of our academies, there may be a requirement for the post holder to work across any of the sites that comprise Bluecoat Academies Trust in accordance with the needs of the Trust.

This is an exciting time to join the Trust and we would be delighted to hear from forward-thinking, enthusiastic and committed colleagues looking for the opportunity to help shape the learning experiences of our students in order to meet and beat their potential.

The Teacher of Music position would suit either a newly qualified teacher seeking a first appointment within a forward thinking and well-resourced school or a more experienced teacher wishing to develop their experience and curriculum management skills. The potential for a TLR may be available for an outstanding candidate.

Vision & Ethos

The vision statement of the Trust demonstrates its Christian ethos and faith foundation. The Trust believes in the transformational power of education for each individual and that this is enhanced through collaborative working between the academies.

Mission

We are a fully inclusive family of learners, providing nurture and outstanding educational experience for all to grow and flourish.

Vision

To transform the lives of all through working together.

Values

Respect, integrity, inclusion, collaboration and excellence.

We believe as a Church of England Trust that a Christian ethos underpins and informs all that we do.

Safeguarding Children and Young People

Archway Learning Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All staff and volunteers are therefore expected to behave in such a way that supports this commitment. Appointment to this post will be subject to the following satisfactory pre-employment checks:

- Health
- Identity
- Relevant work qualifications
- Right to work in the UK
- Barred List Check (previously List 99)
- Disclosure & Barring Service Check (for all staff and volunteers)

- References
- Childcare Disqualification Declaration Check (relevant Primary School posts only)

Applications

For more information about Bluecoat Beechdale Academy and the vacancy, please visit www.bluecoatbeechdale.co.uk/vacancies . To apply for the role click apply which will take you to the application form for the post. We would encourage you to refer to the job description and person specification, demonstrating your suitability for the role.

Closing Date: 9am, Friday 15th January 2021

Interview Date: Thursday 21st January 2021

If you have any queries, wish to discuss the role informally or undertake a visit to the Trust, please do not hesitate to contact us via email recruitmentbba@archwaytrust.co.uk or telephone 0115 913 5211

Due to the number of applications we receive, it is with regret that we cannot respond to every application, if you do not hear from the HR Department within two weeks of the deadline, please assume that on this occasion your application has unfortunately not been successful.

Job Description

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| POST TITLE: | TEACHER OF MUSIC |
| GRADE: | MPS/UPS |
| MAIN PURPOSE: | Teaching Promoting the highest standards of behaviour in order to promote a calm working environment in the Academy, and to create an atmosphere conducive to learning |
| RESPONSIBLE TO: | Head of Performing Arts |
| RELATIONSHIPS WITH: | Senior Leadership Team Performing Arts Colleagues Year Leaders Local community and educational providers SENCo / Teaching Assistants Support Staff Other teachers Parents |

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Support the overall Christian ethos of the Trust.
2. Be aware of and comply with Trust policies and procedures including but not exhaustive of:
 - Acceptable Use of IT Policy
 - Code of Conduct
 - Extremism & Radicalisation Policy
 - Health, Safety and Security Policy & Guidance
 - Keeping Children Safe in Education (Part 1) Guidance
 - Safeguarding Policy and Training Slides
 - Whistleblowing Policy
 - IT Pack including Acceptable Use Statement
 - Health, Wellbeing and Benefits Policy
 - Finance Policy
3. Be aware of and support difference and ensure equal opportunities for all.
4. Contribute to the overall aims of the Trust and Academy Improvement Plans
5. To develop and implement own professional development and skills
6. To behave in a manner that is professional, friendly, fair with students and colleagues demonstrating and role modelling politeness and respectfulness
7. To demonstrate an excellent record of attendance and punctuality.
8. Work cooperatively as part of the Trust wide staff team
9. Undertaking any other duties which may reasonably be regarded as within the nature of the duties and responsibilities/grade of the post as defined.

INTRODUCTION

Each teacher is responsible for all aspects of teaching and learning for those classes and students assigned to them. This involves the organisation and administration of classes, the preparation of lesson plans and teaching within faculty guidelines and schemes of work. Each member of staff has a responsibility to promote high quality throughout their work and that of the faculty, Academy and Trust as a whole. In particular it is important to maintain high standards of achievement and to encourage all students to fulfil their potential through effective teaching and high expectations. In teaching at Archway Learning Trust importance is attached to:

- Team work
- Open consultation and participation in decision making including good communication
- A mutually supportive approach - sharing responsibility, success and problems
- Exercising positive leadership with students
- Maintaining high personal and professional standards and being forward looking and anticipating change

MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

As Teacher of Music, you are responsible to the Principal, through the line manager, for:

- 1) Teach students of the full range of age and ability;
- 2) Contribute to the development of the Department's curriculum;
- 3) Attend and contribute to school assemblies and acts of worship, as applicable;
- 4) Follow Academy and departmental procedures on assessment, recording and reporting, including communication with parents at consultation evenings;
- 5) Take part in departmental activities such as field trips;
- 6) Undertake such departmental responsibilities as are delegated by the Director of Learning;
- 7) Act as form tutor to a group of students
- 8) Carry out a share of supervisory duties in accordance with published rotas;
- 9) Set and mark home learning in accordance with Academy and departmental policies;
- 10) Participate in meetings with colleagues and/or parents/carers with regard to the above responsibilities.

TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1) Have a thorough and up to date knowledge of their subject(s) and should take account of wider curriculum developments that are relevant to their work;
- 2) Consistently and effectively plan lessons and sequences of lessons to meet students' individual learning needs, including students with special educational needs, and gifted or talented students. They should be aware of, and take proper account of the strategies agreed in IEPs (Individual Education Plans) and IBPs (Individual Behaviour Plans);
- 3) Keep an attendance register of students in every lesson and following up absence when necessary;
- 4) Consistently and effectively use a range of appropriate strategies for teaching and classroom management;
- 5) Consistently and effectively use information about prior attainment to set well-grounded expectations for students, and monitor progress to give clear and constructive feedback;
- 6) Be able to make use of the performance data available in the Academy in order to determine how much progress their students are making;
- 7) Take responsibility for their own professional development and use the outcomes to improve their teaching and students' learning;
- 8) Make an active contribution to implementing the policies and aspirations of the Academy and Trust;
- 9) Be effective professionals who challenge and support all students to do their best;
- 10) Set and maintain high expectations for student behaviour;
- 11) Set a good example to students, for example in terms of appropriate dress, standards of punctuality and attendance;

GENERAL NOTES

- 1) The aforementioned responsibilities are subject to the general duties and responsibilities contained in the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document and the Conditions of Service ("Burgundy Book") and are additional to the general duties and responsibilities of a Teacher;
- 2) These accountabilities do not direct the particular amount of time to be spent on carrying them out and no part of it may be so construed;
- 3) These accountabilities are not necessarily a comprehensive definition of the post. It will be reviewed at least once per year and it may be subject to modification or amendment at any time after consultation with the holder of the post.

STAFF CONDUCT

- All employees are expected to familiarise themselves and follow the Trust vision and ethos during their working lives with Archway Learning Trust.
- We are professional people and expect professional conduct (behaviour and language) based on mutual respect, good manners, politeness and common courtesies for all members of our community. We expect that at all times employees behave in a manner that role models positive behaviours for our students to follow.
- Physical violence, verbal abuse and swearing are unacceptable and not tolerated.
- Employees are expected to maintain a professional relationship with students.
- Staff will be fully supported by the Trust at all times in carrying out the behaviour policy.

DRESS CODE

- The Trust expect staff to wear professional business dress mirroring our high expectations of our student dress code.
- Some functions within the Trust are required to wear uniform that will be supplied by the Trust.

PERSON SPECIFICATION – TEACHER OF MUSIC

| | Essential | Desirable |
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| Qualifications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant 'A' Levels (or equivalent) and degree; • Qualified Teacher Status. • Good honours degree (2:1 or better); | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to teach Key Stage 5. |
| Experience | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant teaching experience or teaching practice; • Experience of working with students of a wide range of abilities. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience of teaching music; • Currently working or training in UK secondary school or FE College; • Relevant 'life experience' e.g. time working in business or industry. |
| Knowledge and understanding | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An understanding of current educational developments and a clear grasp of issues relating to education in general and their subject specialism(s) • The theory and practice of providing effectively for the individual needs of all children (e.g. classroom organisation and learning strategies); • Statutory National Curriculum requirements at the appropriate key stage; • The monitoring, assessment, recording and reporting of pupils' progress; • The statutory requirements of legislation concerning Equal Opportunities, Health & Safety, SEN and Child Protection; • The positive links necessary within the Academy and with all its stakeholders; • Effective teaching and learning styles. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The integration of ICT into all courses • Raising achievement in Music • EAL |
| Skills and Abilities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to use innovative, active teaching methods; • Ability to use ICT as a learning/admin tool; • An ability to work in collaborative partnership with the full range of people associated with the Trust - staff, parents, governors, community, business, Diocese and LA; • Effective communication skills, written and verbal; • Good organisational skills; • Ability to work with students with special needs or who are Gifted and Talented. • Ability to develop literacy, including EAL, resources across the curriculum. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commitment to offering effective extra- curricular activities |
| Personal Characteristics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An empathy for children from a wide variety of social and cultural backgrounds; • Ability to support the important Christian values of the Trust; • A willingness to work hard with enthusiasm and vision; • Tact and sensitivity; • Integrity and good judgement; • A sense of humour • Confidence, independence and flexibility; • Able to motivate self and others; • Calm under pressure; • Well-organised. | |