Oasis Academy: Enfield

English Teacher





Dear Candidate,

Thank you for your enquiry regarding the position of **English teacher** at Oasis Academy Enfield. We are part of Oasis Community Learning www.oasiscommunitylearning.org which runs over 50 academies across the UK. We need an enthusiastic and talented teacher to join the science team for July or September 2019.

I hope you find the information pack helpful. If you would like to know more about us before you apply please see our website www.oasisacademyenfield.org. We welcome visits to the Academy. For an informal, confidential discussion, or to arrange a visit please contact Salma Begum, HR Officer, on 01992 655 424 or enfield.HR@oasisenfield.org

If you would like to apply, please complete the Application Form (CVs are not accepted) and return it by either of the following ways:

Email: enfield.HR@oasisenfield.org
Post: HR Officer
Oasis Academy Enfield
9 Kinetic Crescent,
Innova Park,
Mollison Avenue,
Enfield, EN3 7XH

The closing deadline for applications is no later than **8am** on **Monday 24th June 2019.** Applications will be reviewed on an ongoing basis so early applications are encouraged.

Please ensure you provide the name, address and status of two referees**,** one of whom should be your current Headteacher. Candidates should be aware we will seek references on shortlisted candidates and may approach previous employers for information to verify particular experience or qualifications before interview.

Interviews will be on **Thursday 27th June 2019**. If you have not been invited to attend by **Wednesday 26th June 2019,** you should assume that your application has not been successful. Unfortunately, we will not be able to provide feedback on your application at this stage.

I wish you well and thank you once again for your interest in what we think will be a rewarding post.

Yours sincerely,



Juan Fernandez
Associate Principal

About Oasis Academy Enfield

Oasis Academy Enfield opened in September 2007 as a new academy. Initially a group of portacabins and a pioneering spirit, the Academy moved into its £30 million purpose-built accommodation two years later on Innova Business Park, 12 minutes walk from Enfield Lock Station.

The Academy has enjoyed considerable success in its 11 year history. In 2018, Ofsted confirmed that we continue to be a good academy.

Academy leaders and staff share high expectations for all students

Students behave well, and treat each other and staff with respect

Safeguarding is a strength of the Academy, and staff are proactive at supporting the children to stay safe both in school and out

Students feel safe and happy in school. Parents support this view and are happy with the progress their children are making

We provide students with high quality teaching, which not only enables them to make to the best possible progress and achieve the highest grades, but also equips them with the skills, behaviour and character, which will help them be successful and make a positive contribution to their community.

GCSE have improved this year with more students achieving the basics (English and mathematics) at both level 4 and 5. In addition performance in other areas has also improved significantly improving our progress 8 and attainment 8 scores.

At A level and BTEC Level 3 our students continue to make good progress. Our students progress to universities including Russell Group and other leading universities following a wide range of courses from English, History to engineering, psychology and law, apprenticeships and work.

The Sixth Form works in partnership with Oasis Academy Hadley, just under two miles away. The joint Sixth Form offer enables us to offer a wide range of courses and the highest standard of teaching and enrichment activities. Students travel by minibus between the two academies.

We are committed to providing staff with high quality professional development. Mid-week masterclasses run by experienced colleagues focusing on academy priorities are available to all teachers. We hold middle and senior leadership courses run by Institute of Education at UCL open to all staff who want to develop their skills in their current role or look towards the next step in their career.

As part of the Oasis family of academies we benefit from wide range of opportunities to network with colleagues across the region and nationally through a variety of joint training and professional development opportunities. National Lead Practitioners offer advice and guidance and share resources through concerns and visits to the academy. The annual regional conference brings all the staff across London and the South East together to network and share best practice from across the region.

The Academy mainly serves the ethnically and economically diverse local communities of Enfield Lock and Enfield Island Village. A number of students travel from Ponders End, Edmonton and further afield to the Academy. The intake is mixed, some students live in the private housing close to the academy and others come from some of most deprived housing areas in the country. High numbers of students are eligible for pupil premium. There is a high proportion of students with English as an additional language (54%) with over 60 languages spoken. Turkish, Black Caribbean, Black African and White British are our biggest ethnic groups. Despite the challenges many of our students face in their day to day lives our students are ambitious and work hard, seeing education as the key to a successful future.

Oasis was established in 1985 and has grown into a group of charities working to deliver housing, training, youth work, health care, family support and primary, secondary and higher education. In the UK Oasis employs over 4000 staff as well as working with over 1000 volunteers. Oasis work in ten other countries around Europe, Africa, Asia and North America. Our academy is twinned with projects in Uganda and Kyrgyzstan.

Oasis Community Learning is an education trust established in 2004 with the express purpose of transforming lives and communities through the development of Oasis Academies. There are over 40 academies each with their own character and identity and as one organisation are committed to share effective practice across the group. As a leading academy sponsor Oasis is a growing organisation which is committed to improving the life chances of children, young people and the communities they live in.

The Oasis Hub Enfield supports the work of the Academy providing integrated, high quality services that benefit the whole person and the whole community. This is achieved by bringing together the Oasis ethos and values, local and national resources and expertise, and working together in and with local partners. Enfield Hub's work includes youth work, family support services, holiday activities, volunteering, community engagement, lettings as well as the Academy.

The Academy operates a totally inclusive admissions policy, accepting students irrespective of faith or ability. Our goal is to create an environment where students make very good progress, within an Academy, which values them as individuals.









About Oasis Community Learning

The vision of Oasis Academies is to create both outstanding schools and community hubs. As well as delivering first-class and innovative education, Oasis builds 'Hubs' in the area it works in; creating safe and inspiring local neighbourhoods that provide integrated and diverse services to benefit the whole person and the whole community.

Oasis Community Learning seek to create and sustain networks of excellent learning communities working in the context of the Oasis Ethos where every student can reach their full potential. Oasis believes this can be achieved through clear leadership, outstanding staff, a positive and affirming environment, strong partnership between students, parents/carers and the local community, along with the wider national and international links the Oasis' global operations create.

Our ethos is an expression of our character- it is a statement of who we are and therefore a lens though which we assess all we do. The work of Oasis Community Learning is motivated and inspired by the life, message and example of Christ. This is encapsulated by the following five statements:

- a passion to include everyone
- a desire to treat everyone equally, respecting differences
- a commitment to healthy and open relationships
- a deep sense of hope that things can change and be transformed
- a sense of perseverance to keep going for the long haul

The full Education Charter explains how our ethos impacts in Oasis Academies and can be found on www.oasiscommunitylearning.org

About English

We are looking to recruit an inspirational teacher to join the English team.

The team is based on the fourth floor of the building: all teachers have their own classroom and there is a workroom for the team. There are 7 full time English teachers and the team has had a very successful year, planning together with the support of an external consultant. There is a real buzz around the team and results are projected to be strong this year. There is good teamwork within the department with an ethos of joint planning to develop stimulating, engaging lessons.

The department is well equipped with interactive whiteboards in every room, printer/photocopier and laptop trolleys and access to computer suites. All teaching staff are provided with their own laptop. A high standard of décor and display provide a stimulating environment in which students want to learn. Schemes of work and resources are centrally held electronically.

In Years 7 and 8 the students study a broad and challenging curriculum that covers a range of texts, media and skills. The curriculum has been designed to develop students' love of English, meet the needs of our students and develop the skills needed to be successful at GCSE.

Year 9 is currently a preparatory year for GCSE and at GCSE, all students study the AQA Language and Literature courses.

The subject is popular at A Level. We currently follow the AQA specification with an examination at the end of the two year course. A joint Sixth Form operates between the Oasis Academy Enfield and Oasis Academy Hadley with English being offered at A level in both schools. Strong team work is being developed between sixth form teachers across the schools and this includes the sharing of best practice and resources and joint moderation.

Outside of the curriculum, the English department leads the drive for whole academy reading and literacy and is seeking to expand its extra-curricular offerings to continue to support and extend the learning in the classroom.

This post would suit a newly qualified or experienced teacher. We are committed to providing staff with high quality professional development. Mid-week masterclasses run by experienced colleagues focusing on academy priorities are available to all teachers. The induction of new staff is important. We have a tailored programme for staff in training which is tailored to meet their needs. All newly qualified staff are allocated an experienced subject mentor who will meet with them regularly and supports them as they settle into the Academy as well as the Induction Tutor who is responsible for supporting newly qualified teachers in successfully completing their Induction year.

If you can inspire young people, are passionate about English education and prepared to go the extra mile we would welcome an application from you.



Job Description

POST:
Teacher

ACCOUNTABLE TO:
The Associate Principal, under the day-to-day management and leadership of Head of Department

GRADE:
MPS/UPS (Outer London) plus Teachers Pension Scheme plus Teachers Pension Scheme and up to £2000 payment for the right candidate

KEY RELATIONSHIPS:
Academy Leadership Team; relevant teaching and support staff; students; partner professionals; parents; local community; other Oasis Academies and Oasis Community Learning central staff.

LOCATION:
Oasis Academy Enfield

WORKING PATTERN:
Full-time and as described in the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document.

JOB PURPOSE:

To contribute to the teaching under the direction of the Head of Department. The post holder is expected to carry out the professional duties of a qualified teacher in accordance with the current DFE Teachers' Pay and Conditions document and those described in the Outcomes. The post holder is expected to meet the current Teachers' Standards.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. To provide high quality teaching which promotes good progress and outcomes by students.
2. To actively support the vision, ethos and policies of the Academy.
3. To promote and safeguard the welfare of children you teach or come into contact with.

OUTCOMES:

A) Achievement and standards

- Set challenging targets that build on prior attainment of every student.
- Evaluate student progress through the use of appropriate assessments and records and regular analysis of the data.
- Set, track, evaluate and report on individual student progress towards their targets.
- Mark and monitor students' work giving formative, next step feedback and targets for improvement in line with the Academy Assessment policy.
- Keep systematic records to show student's understanding and completion of work and the identified strengths, areas for development and grades awarded.

Teachers' Standards

1. Set high expectations which inspire, motivate and challenge students

- Establish a safe and stimulating environment for students, rooted in mutual respect.
- Set goals that stretch and challenge students of all backgrounds, abilities and dispositions.
- Demonstrate consistently the positive attitudes, values and behaviour which are expected of students.

2. Promote good progress and outcomes by students

- Be accountable for students' attainment, progress and outcomes.
- Be aware of students' capabilities and their prior knowledge, and plan teaching to build on these.
- Guide students to reflect on the progress

OUTCOMES:

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of how students learn and how this impacts on teaching.
- Encourage students to take a responsible and conscientious attitude to their own work and study.

3. Make accurate and productive use of assessment

- Know and understand how to assess the relevant subject and curriculum areas, including statutory assessment requirements.
- Make use of formative and summative assessment to secure students' progress.
- Use relevant data to monitor progress, set targets, and plan subsequent lessons.
- Give students regular feedback, both orally and through accurate marking, and encourage students to respond to the feedback.

B) Quality of Provision

- Teach allocated students by planning your teaching to ensure appropriate progression of leaning.
- Plan and deliver lessons appropriate to students' individual needs, which are both engaging and challenging, in accordance with the Academy's Teaching and Learning Policy.
- Keep systematic records and plans of lessons taught.
- Work collaboratively with Additional Adults attached to any teaching group, where appropriate jointly planning the lessons.
- Set high expectations for behaviour in the classroom in line with the Academy Behaviour for Learning Policy.
- Ensure safe well ordered learning environment by having clear routines for classroom management which are applied consistently and fairly.
- Contribute to the development of schemes of work and materials.
- Monitor and control the storage and use of teaching materials and books related to their teaching;
- Critically evaluate your own teaching and participate in partnership teaching and teacher coaching as appropriate to improve effectiveness.
- Set appropriate cover work for all classes which are covered in the event of absence (foreseen and unforeseen)

Teachers Standards

4. Demonstrate good subject and curriculum knowledge

- Have a secure knowledge of the relevant subject(s) and curriculum areas, foster and maintain students' interest in the subject, and address misunderstandings.
- Demonstrate a critical understanding of developments in the subject and curriculum areas, and promote the value of scholarship.
- Demonstrate an understanding of and take responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy, articulacy and the correct use of standard English, whatever the teacher's specialist subject.
- If teaching early reading, demonstrate a clear understanding of systematic synthetic phonics.
- If teaching early mathematics, demonstrate a clear understanding of appropriate teaching strategies.

5. Plan and teach well-structured lessons

- Impart knowledge and develop understanding through effective use of lesson time.
- Promote a love of learning and children's intellectual curiosity.

6. Adapt teaching to respond to the strengths and needs of all students

- Know when and how to differentiate appropriately, using approaches which enable students to be taught effectively.
- Have a secure understanding of how a range of factors can inhibit students' ability to learn, and how best to overcome these.
- Demonstrate an awareness of the physical, social and intellectual development of children, and know how to adapt teaching to support students' education at different stages of development.
- Have a clear understanding of the needs of all students, including those with special educational needs; those of high ability; those with English as an additional language; those with disabilities; and be able to use and evaluate distinctive teaching approaches to engage and support them.

OUTCOMES:

Teachers' Standards

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D) Professional Development

- Keep up to date with current developments in curriculum development and teaching methods.
- Participate in professional development activities, as appropriate, to update and develop skills.
- Attend and contribute to Academy meetings.
- Attend parent/carer meetings as required.
- Participate in Performance Management accordance with Academy Policy.

Teachers' Standards

8. Fulfil wider professional responsibilities

- Make a positive contribution to the wider life and ethos of the school.
- Develop effective professional relationships with colleagues, knowing how and when to draw on advice and specialist support.
- Deploy support staff effectively.
- Take responsibility for improving teaching through appropriate professional development, responding to advice and feedback from colleagues.
- Communicate effectively with parents with regard to students' achievements and well-being.

E) Personal and professional conduct

- Demonstrate consistently high standards of personal and professional conduct.
- Uphold public trust in the profession and maintain high standards of ethics and behaviour, within and outside school, by:
- Treat pupils with dignity, building relationships rooted in mutual respect, and at all times observing proper boundaries appropriate to a teacher's professional position
- Have regard for the need to safeguard pupils' well-being, in accordance with statutory provisions
- Show tolerance of and respect for the rights of others
- Uphold fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect, and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs
- Ensure that personal beliefs are not expressed in ways which exploit pupils' vulnerability or might lead them to break the law.

The person undertaking this role is expected to work within the policies, ethos and aims of the Academy and to carry out such other duties as may reasonably be assigned by the Principal. The post holder will be expected to have an agreed flexible working pattern to ensure that all relevant functions, including extra-curricular activities, are fulfilled through direct dialogue with employees, contractors and community members.

All staff take an active role in the Academy's care and guidance of students.

The above responsibilities are subject to the general duties and responsibilities contained in the Statement of Conditions of Employment.

The duties of this post may vary from time to time without changing the general character of the post or level of responsibility entailed.

English Teacher
Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	• Qualified Teacher Status	• Degree
Experience, Skills and Understanding	• Knowledge and understanding of the National Curriculum, particularly statutory requirements • Understanding of what is required to secure effective teaching and learning • Ability to use assessment data in planning • Ability to provide appropriate challenge for students • Knowledge of behaviour management strategies and an ability to maintain good classroom discipline • Ability to converse at ease with parents/students and members of the public and provide advice in accurate spoken English • Understanding of the practical application of Equal Opportunities in an Academy context	
Personal Qualities	• Ability to motivate students • Good communication skills • Good ICT skills • Ability to work as part of a team • Ability to be a reflective practitioner • Commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. • Willingness to undergo appropriate checks, including enhanced DBS checks. • Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children • Emotional resilience in working in a range challenging situations • Have a willingness to demonstrate commitment to the values and behaviours which flow from the Oasis ethos	

Explanatory Notes

Applications will only be accepted from candidates completing the enclosed Application Form. Please complete ALL Sections of the Application Form which are relevant to you as clearly and fully as possible (Sections A & B). CVs will not be accepted in place of a completed Application Form.

Safeguarding Children & Young People

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. We expect all staff to share this commitment and to undergo appropriate checks, including enhanced Disclosure and Barring checks

1. Candidates should be aware that all posts in Oasis Community Learning involve some degree of responsibility for safeguarding children and young people, although the extent of that responsibility will vary depending on the nature of the post. Please see the job description enclosed in this Application Pack for further details.
2. Accordingly this post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and therefore all convictions, cautions and bind-overs, including those regarded as "spent" must be declared.
3. If you are currently working with children, on either a paid or voluntary basis, your current employer will be asked about disciplinary offences, including those related to children or young people (whether the disciplinary sanction is current or time-expired), and whether you have been the subject of any child protection allegations or concerns and if so the outcome of any investigation or disciplinary proceedings. If you are not currently working with children, but have done in the past, that previous employer will be asked about these issues.
4. Where neither your current or previous employment has involved working with children, your current employer will be asked about your suitability to work with children, although it may where appropriate be answered not applicable if your duties have not brought you into contact with children or young people.

Interview Process

After the closing date, short listing will be conducted by a Panel, who will match your skills/ experience against the criteria in the Person Specification. You will be selected for interview entirely on the contents of your application form, so please read the Job Description and Person Specification carefully before you complete your form.

All candidates invited to interview must bring the following documents:

- Documentary evidence of right to work in the UK
- Documentary evidence of identity that will satisfy Disclosure and Barring check requirements such as a current driving licence including a photograph and/or a passport and/or a full birth certificate
- Documentary proof of current name and address (i.e. utility bill, financial statement etc.)
- Where appropriate any documentation evidencing a change of name
- Documents confirming any educational or professional qualifications that are necessary or relevant for the post.

Please note that originals of the above are necessary. Photocopies or certified copies are not sufficient.

We will seek references on shortlisted candidates for Academy based positions and may approach previous employers for information to verify particular experience or qualifications before interview. Any relevant issues arising from references will be taken up at interview.

For Academy based positions, in addition to candidates' ability to perform the duties of the post, the interview will also explore issues relating to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, including:

- Motivation to work with children and young people
- Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people
- Emotional resilience in working with challenging behaviours
- Attitudes to use of authority and maintaining discipline.

Conditional Offer: Pre-Employment Checks

Any offer to a successful candidate will be conditional upon: -

- Verification of right to work in the UK
- Receipt of at least two satisfactory references (if these have not already been received)
- Verification of identity and qualifications
- Vetting and Barring Checks
- Satisfactory Disclosure and Barring check
- Verification of professional status such as QTS Status, NPQH (where required)
- Satisfactory completion of a Health Assessment
- Satisfactory completion of the probationary period.
- Where the successful candidate has worked or been resident overseas in the previous five years, such checks and confirmations as may be required in accordance with statutory guidance

For teaching posts

- Verification of successful completion of statutory induction period (applies to those who obtained QTS after 7 May 1999)
- Verification of medical fitness in accordance with DFE Circular 4/99 Physical and Mental Fitness to Teach of Teachers and Entrants to Initial Teacher Training

You should be aware that provision of false information is an offence and could result in your application being rejected or summary dismissal if you have been selected, as well as possible referral to the police and/or ISA and/or other relevant investigating bodies.