**PERSON SPECIFICATION**

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| Job Title:  | **Team Leader - Student Support** | Salary: **Grade 5**  |
| Location:  | **Whitley Academy** |  |

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|  | **Essential Criteria** |
| **Education and Qualifications** | * Educated to Level 2 minimum (GCSE grade C or above in English and Maths or equivalent).
* Evidence of attendance on recognised courses or CPD related to one of the areas of experience and expertise highlighted below.
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| **Knowledge and Understanding** | * Of the needs and characteristics of young people.
* Of the importance of positive role models for young people.
* Of equal opportunities and anti-discriminatory practice in the context of the school community.
* Experience and expertise in at least one of the following:
	+ Child protection.
	+ Supervision and behaviour management techniques.
	+ Strategies, including literacy, numeracy, ICT, independent learning, special educational needs and anti-racism to ensure effective learning.
* Of leading other staff supporting students who face a range of challenges and barriers to their learning would be an advantage
* Experience of EAL or TEFAL would be beneficial but not essential.
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| **Skills and Abilities** | * To inspire and lead staff
* To communicate effectively.
* To motivate and encourage students to work co-operatively.
* To establish and maintain good professional relationships with adults and young

people and to deal with difficult situations sensitively. * To be a team player.
* To organise and co-ordinate classroom activities.
* To plan and deliver effective lessons that ensure clear learning objectives are met.
* To work independently when required whilst also leading a successful and cohesive team
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| **Attitudes and Values** | * High expectations of personal performance and of students’ success.
* High expectations of the team.
* Ability to adapt to different situations and show initiative.
* Commitment to one’s own professional development.
* A belief that schools can make a positive difference to the lives of students.
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| **Other** | This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. An enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check will be required prior to appointment |