## **Walsall Academy**

## PERSON SPECIFICATION: Head of Chemistry

Attributes	Essential	Desirable	Evidenced Through
QUALIFICATIONS	<ul> <li>QTS status</li> <li>Qualification to the equivalent of degree level in Chemistry or a related subject</li> </ul>	Further relevant qualification in Chemistry	Paper qualifications
WORK RELATED EXPERIENCE AND ASSOCIATED SKILLS	<ul> <li>Good classroom practitioner with evidence of setting appropriate expectations to promote learning and to engage and motivate students</li> <li>Ability to use strategies that improve understanding of Science</li> <li>Ability to encourage and maintain a good standard of discipline in the classroom through well focused teaching, positive relationships and good classroom management</li> <li>Ability to use appropriately a range of teaching and learning strategies for whole classes, individuals and groups which stimulate, challenge, engage and motivate students</li> <li>Ability to set clear and appropriate targets, feed back to students and make use of assessment information to promote each student's attainment and progress, and to plan future lessons</li> <li>Ability to reflect on one's own practice</li> <li>Ability to differentiate tasks appropriately</li> </ul>	Ability to use research evidence to inform and improve teaching	Application letter     Teaching a short lesson     Interview and communication
SPECIALIST KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING	<ul> <li>Secure knowledge and understanding of the knowledge, concepts and skills in teaching Science at KS3 and Chemistry at KS4</li> <li>Ability to teach A Level Chemistry</li> <li>Able to give positive and targeted support to students with special educational needs</li> </ul>	Able to make good use of ICT as a learning resource	Application letter     Interview questions
PERSONAL SKILLS AND ATTRIBUTES	<ul> <li>Determination to produce the highest quality learning experience for all students</li> <li>A commitment to equal opportunities</li> <li>Ability to establish productive working relationships and work well in a team</li> <li>Ability to communicate effectively to staff, students and parents</li> <li>Ability to meet deadlines</li> <li>Able to empathise with young people but be firm, fair and consistent when dealing with them</li> <li>Excellent attendance and punctuality</li> <li>Enthusiasm, drive and resilience</li> <li>Ambition</li> <li>Personal presence</li> <li>Sense of humour and perspective</li> </ul>	Ability and willingness to offer extracurricular activities.	Taught lesson     Interview questions     Letter of application and interview     References