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Dear Colleague

Elliott Hudson College is a Post 16 college, established by The Gorse Academies Trust in September 2015. The college has a simple mission, to ensure that all students, but especially those facing the biggest barriers and challenges, have access to an outstanding academic education.

The college is clear in its belief that any student when embraced within/by a culture of high expectations can succeed. Staff of the college are united by the vision that **all** students can gain the qualifications and skills that are required to progress with confidence and ambition to the next stage of their lives.

The work we do is challenging and important. Approximately 40% of the students in the college live in postcodes assessed to be in the 10% most socially and economically deprived in the country. It is a foundational value of both The Trust and the college that we close the many gaps in outcomes that exist between disadvantaged students and their more advantaged peers.

It is this mission which places additional expectations on all of the staff of the college, we know we have to work harder, think more deeply, be more creative and fight harder to achieve these goals. The development and increased popularity of the college has allowed for the creation of the post of SENCO. It goes without saying that this is an extremely important position for the college.

The purpose of this position is to ensure that our work in this area is exceptional. We need to ensure that our systems and processes to support students with additional needs becomes sector leading. We seek a passionate advocate for students with additional needs, a person with the intellect, determination and passion to ensure that the college does everything possible to ensure some of our most vulnerable students excel.

This is an exciting time at Elliott Hudson College as it moves into the second stage of its development. Judged to be outstanding in all areas by Ofsted in March 2018, oversubscribed and consistently one of the top performing Post 16 providers both regionally and nationally. We have a very secure foundation upon which we have ambitions to build a college with a national reputation for the academic and social development of young people.

I hope that what you know and read about Elliott Hudson College inspires you to make an application. I am aware of the time and effort which goes into any application and I thank you in advance for this.

What can be promised is a friendly and supportive community where the professional development of all staff it’s prioritised.

Yours faithfully



David Holtham

Principal