



# The Blue Coat School

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Dear Potential Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in this post.

We are looking for a creative, inspiring, sharing, collaborative and thoughtful practitioner to help lead our social sciences department. We want someone who values social sciences who understands the value and importance that these subjects play in the overall development of our young people and as a result, someone who will be able to enthuse our Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 students with their passion.

We are looking for someone who is on the way up; someone who may not be the finished article yet but who sees this as an opportunity to grow and develop in an outstanding school and department, with a view to further progression in the future.

We want to appoint someone who is ambitious for the students, their colleagues and the school; who has vision; who is interested in research and development in teaching. We are looking for someone who knows how to support staff to improve performance and who can personally model best practice.

The successful candidate will be supported by the Head of Department. The day-to-day role of the 2i/c will be shaped by the subject specialisms that come with them. Currently we offer sociology, government and politics, psychology, and child development and the 2 i/c will be asked to lead on one of these subject areas as well as support the Head of Department with the general leadership of the department. We do not expect nor need the 2 i/c to lead or teach across all these subject areas. We have the staffing capacity to allow staff to teach within their subject specialisms, so in your application, it would be useful to outline your specialist subject/s and any experience of teaching others if applicable.

The successful candidate will be joining the leadership team of a knowledgeable, dedicated, tight-knit and professional department. The social science department is underpinned by a collective approach to effective pedagogy that is based upon the latest developments in educational research. Results in the department are consistently strong every year across Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 and this post will enable the successful candidate to grow and develop in both their leadership and general teaching in a high achieving and supportive environment.



Blue Coat  
School Sixth Form



This is an exciting and challenging role. It is a post for a dedicated, energetic and creative professional. The demands will be varied, interesting and developmental. The person specification sets out the key experience, commitment and essential professional skills and qualities that we are looking for.

Full details about the post and application form are available from:

<https://careers.cranmereducationtrust.com/vacancies>

If you would like to discuss the position further, please contact Clare Ainsworth, PA to Headteacher ([secretary@blue-coat.org](mailto:secretary@blue-coat.org)) to arrange a call with the Head of Department.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Higgins', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**Mr R Higgins**  
**Headteacher**