

DAYTIME CLEANER

Application Deadline: 28th July 2025



Dear Colleague

Thank you for your interest in Edgar Wood Academy, a new school serving the local community in Middleton and Heywood. Opening in temporary accommodation in September 2021, the school moved to its permanent location in September 2022, a state-of-the-art building, with stunning views of the local countryside. Helping our students realise their potential lies at the heart of everything we do. By promoting our values of Resilience, Empathy and Responsibility and a culture of mutual respect and compassionate rigour, we aim to inspire and engage all pupils, regardless of prior attainment or social background.

By joining our school, you will be part of an exciting journey, building the school from its early foundations and helping to create and embed its ethos, values and culture. We believe in creating a purposeful and calm environment which allows our teachers to teach and our students to learn. As a result, we will improve student achievement through high-quality teaching in a safe and caring environment. We value each individual child in our school and recognise that each has different talents and gifts, which will be nurtured over the course of their time with us. We also support every student to develop personally and academically, so that they have the knowledge and skills to progress to an aspirational career, a fulfilling life and make a positive contribution to their local community.

Hopefully it is already clear from reading this letter that our aims are simple: to help students realise their potential through a culture of mutual respect, positive behaviour, and high standards. Our aim is to have students do the right thing because they should, rather than because they must. We aim to inspire and engage all students, regardless of prior attainment or social background.

To work at Edgar Wood Academy, you must aspire to be an outstanding colleague. You must be willing to share and learn. We wish to appoint someone who will help us to make a positive difference to the lives of young people in the borough. In return, we promise a supportive and enjoyable working environment and the resources needed to carry out the role to the highest standards, including a bespoke professional development programme to support you with your future career aspirations.

It is important to note that Edgar Wood Academy benefits from being a part of the Altus Educational Partnership. The Trust currently comprises of four academies - Rochdale Sixth Form College, Edgar Wood Academy, Kingsway Park High School and Bamford Academy.

The Trust's mission and vision are to:

- Advance education in the borough of Rochdale so that young people go on to live happy and fulfilling lives and make positive differences to their communities and society.
- Create an inclusive and cohesive system of education in the area that improves the lives of everyone in the borough.

I look forward to your application and if you have any questions, or wish to visit the school prior to interview, please do not hesitate to contact my PA, Debbie Barlow on 0161 676 9620.

Yours sincerely



Paul Jones
Headteacher

Making Your Application

I hope that when you read this Application Pack you are inspired to apply for the post. If you are, then this is what you need to do:

Application

1. Complete the Altus Education Partnership application form.
2. Provide a supporting statement of no more than two sides of A4 which should address the criteria in the person specification.
3. Send your application by email to recruitment@altusep.com.

Deadline

The deadline for the post is **Monday 28th July** to arrive no later than 12.00 midday.

Interviews are due to take place week commencing **Monday 4th August**.

Shortlisting

We will unfortunately be unable to notify candidates who are not on the shortlist; therefore, if you have not heard from us your application has been unsuccessful on this occasion.

Salary

The post will be paid on School Support Staff Pay Spine, scale point 1 to 3 (£23,656 - £24,027). Actual salary for term-time only plus 4 weeks and 30 hours per week is £18,271 - £18,558, topped up to the Real Living Wage.

Start Date

September 2025.

Altus Education Partnership is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff to share this commitment. This position is subject to an Enhanced DBS check under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. In accordance with the recommendations set out in KCSIE the Trust carries out online searches on shortlisted candidates. It is also Trust policy to contact at least 1 reference prior to interview.

Background Information

Edgar Wood Academy

Edgar Wood Academy is an 11-16 year old state-funded secondary school. Working closely with Rochdale Borough Council to meet the estimated shortfall of secondary school places, we opened our doors to welcome Year 7 children from the areas of Middleton and Heywood in September 2021. Our intake this year is 195 places, with a total of 485 places being offered since in September 2021 within Years 7-9.

In our first year we were based in a temporary site in the grounds of Hopwood Hall College, Middleton Campus, whilst the new school was completed. From September 2022, Years 7, 8 and 9 students at Edgar Wood Academy have been able to experience our new school building on Heywood Old Road, Heywood, with its modern state-of-the-art facilities, designed to allow them to flourish academically, culturally and artistically.

Altus Education Partnership

Edgar Wood Academy is currently one of four institutions in the Altus Education Partnership (a Multi-Academy Trust) alongside Kingsway Park High School, Bamford Academy and Rochdale Sixth Form College (*“TES 6th Form College of the Year 2021”* and *“Ofsted Officially Outstanding 2022”*). Edgar Wood Academy and the Trust have a very strong educational reputation in the local community and are in a financially robust position. The Trust works as a partnership of equals, where all Academies are distinctive institutions working together for the benefit of all students, within which, Headteachers and local Governing Bodies have delegated authority and associated autonomy. The Trust expects to expand further in the next few years, working with Academies in the Primary and Secondary phases to improve the quality of education across the borough.

Altus Education Partnership are committed to supporting all children in their Academies to progress to a successful career, life and employment path of their choice.

All our Academies will share a collective identity as providers of the highest quality teaching with high expectations of learners, coupled with effective assessment and intervention. Young people in our Academies will engage with opportunities to develop their own skills and aptitudes to support their progression, while making valuable contributions to their communities. Leaders and Teachers will take a collaborative approach, sharing best practice at a local, regional and national level, to continuously improve the performance and outcomes of all Academies in the Trust.

Altus Education Partnership Values

The values of the Altus Education Partnership will be embedded and visible throughout all the academies. Each will have its own unique identity built around the core Trust values. These are:

- Unrelenting commitment to improve the quality of our provision and enhance the lives of our students.
- Openness in the way we build trust and bring purpose to our work as a Multi Academy Trust.
- Accountability through the rigorous, transparent and forensic analysis of all aspects of our performance.
- Commitment to the principles of inclusion and equality.
- Dedication to the borough of Rochdale and its surrounds.
- Collective responsibility for one another and the results of all our students – ‘if one fails, we all fail’.

The Ambition is that by the time students leave they will:

- Have achieved their personal academic potential giving them a greater choice in life.
- Have the highest aspirations and developed the self-esteem, confidence, and emotional resilience to exploit their potential.
- Be contributing members of the community and have compassion for others.
- Be able to celebrate their success and that of others.
- Have developed the confidence to overcome barriers to success.
- Be articulate, creative, and prepared for future growth and learning.
- Be happy!

Shared Objective for all Staff

"To maximise students' achievements"

- At Altus Education Partnership we do this through engaging our students in their subjects and inspiring them to enjoy their studies in a totally positive atmosphere.
- Our students are challenged to achieve through a culture of high expectations and a belief in their ability.

Above all, staff at Altus Education Partnership like their students and demonstrate this through their daily conduct and interaction.

We promise a supportive and enjoyable working environment and the resources needed to carry out the role to the highest standards, including a bespoke professional development programme to support you with your future career aspirations.

Role Description

Job Title:	Daytime Cleaner
Reports to:	Trust Cleaning Manager
Remuneration:	School Support Staff Pay Spine, scale point 1 to 3 (£23,656 - £24,027). Actual salary for term-time only plus 4 weeks and 30 hours per week is £18,271 - £18,558
Contract:	Permanent – 30 hrs per week – 11am – 5pm – Term Time Only plus 4 weeks
Start Date:	As soon as possible

Overall Purpose of the Post

- To undertake general cleaning of the building including deep cleans and detailed cleaning tasks, including cleaning classrooms, corridors, and toilets.
- General housekeeping/health and safety checks.

Responsibilities and Roles

- In the event of any spillages immediately clean and make safe the area.
- Ensure that students are always behaving appropriately in line with the schools' behaviour policy and deal with any inappropriate behaviour according to the behaviour policy.
- To engage with the students during lunch time, ensuring that it is a positive experience, promoting healthy eating and assisting any that may need additional support.
- Deal with any first aid incidents.
- Operate cleaning equipment and use designated chemicals and other cleaning products safely and in accordance with instructions.
- Refilling and restocking cleaning supplies and toiletries (handwash, toilet paper, paper towels).
- Ensuring sufficient supplies of cleaning products and equipment are ordered and maintained.
- Checking and maintaining of cleaning equipment to ensure they are fit for purpose.
- To make lunch times an enjoyable experience for all.
- Be a strong, positive role model for the students.

No.	CATEGORIES	Essential/ Desirable	Assessed by:	
			App Form	Interview
QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE				
1	Appropriate knowledge of first aid or willing to train.	E	√	√
SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE				
2	Experience of cleaning and using appropriate cleaning equipment.	E	√	√
3	Knowledge/understanding of Health & Safety including COSHH regulations.	E	√	√
4	Ability to stay calm and be patient and understanding when dealing with the students.	E	√	√
5	To be able to deal fairly and consistently when dealing with the students.	E	√	√
6	High degree of energy, resilience, and enthusiasm	E	√	√
7	Have excellent oral communication skills and a calm and confident manner	E	√	√
8	To be able to take charge of students if needed and maintain acceptable behavioural standards.	E	√	√
9	To be able to work as part of a team or work alone and use own initiative.	E	√	√
10	Able to maintain confidentiality.	E	√	√
11	Understanding of matters relating to safeguarding of children in terms of their health, safety, welfare, and mental wellbeing.	E	√	√

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