

SCIENCE TECHNICIAN (FULL OR PART TIME) APPLICATION PACK

INTRODUCTION

WHY WORK FOR PENDLE EDUCATION TRUST



This is an exciting time to join Pendle Education Trust. We are developing and always improving the academies within our family to ensure the highest standard of education for our children.

Pendle Education Trust is a family of academies in East Lancashire educating over two thousand children. The Trust is sponsored by Nelson and Colne College. Established in 2013, Pendle Education Trust continues to grow, welcoming new schools to our family.

Currently we have five Academies within our family, and we are looking forward to welcoming new additions over the coming months and years:

- Castercliff Primary Academy
- Casterton Primary Academy
- Colne Primet Academy
- Pendle Primary Academy
- West Craven High School

Our focus is exceptional leadership and meeting the needs of local families and the community. Through close collaboration with local partners and schools, we strive to deliver an excellent education for children in Pendle and surrounding districts.

Our vision is that every child should only be a short walk away from a world class school. We exist to empower, enable and inspire schools to provide an outstanding level of education and support through exceptional leadership, collaboration, innovative thinking and understanding of local needs.

In practice this means that we care passionately about all the children in our academies and believe in the difference our work can make to their lives. We have a fantastic staff of over 350 people across our academies - all dedicated to this single purpose.

We don't apologise for relentlessly driving forward improvements for the benefit of our children and staff and look for ways to collaborate within the Trust and with other schools and academies with like-minded philosophies. There will be considerable opportunities for professional development and there will be coaching and mentoring opportunities. We have strong links with our sponsor, Nelson and Colne College, to develop skills and potential in all Trust staff. We encourage participation in relevant networks and forums with other finance managers working in education.

You will have an excellent benefits package, a generous holiday entitlement and sociable hours of work. We are a flexible and supportive employer and would consider job share or part-time working applications.

Please visit our website for more information about Pendle Education Trust.

JOIN US





WEST CRAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

West Craven is a small and vibrant secondary school for young people aged 11 to 16 years which serves this local Lancashire/Yorkshire community.

Barnoldswick is located on the Lancashire/Yorkshire border with both Leeds and Manchester drivable in just under an hour. Preston, Skipton and Bradford are easily commutable and the town is on the doorstep of the Yorkshire Dales National Park, Bronte Country and the Forest of Bowland. The Lake District, Morecambe Bay and the Fylde Coast are all a short drive away.

Our vision is to create a culture and ethos which promotes high aspirations and expectations, balanced with the highest level of care and support. We want students to love coming to West Craven, love learning and love being part of the academy family. The vision involves educating the whole child; our academy motto 'Ad Vitam Paramus' means 'We Are Preparing for Life'. We encourage all students to get fully involved in the life of the academy and the opportunities beyond the classroom.

As an academy at the heart of the community we want close links with our feeder primary schools, local businesses, colleges and training providers. The school is on a programme of rapid transformation and improvement. As part of Pendle Education Trust since 2016, the future of the school is bright.

By joining the West Craven High School family you will become part of a supportive and ambitious team. We have regular staff training and dedicate time to continuing professional development and staff wellbeing. Our culture is about always looking at how we can share best practice with each other and improve together.

We collaborate with our colleagues at Colne Primet Academy as well as the three primary academies in our Trust family and have the support of the Pendle Education Trust core team for functions such as Finance, Facilities, Human Resources, Health and Safety, IT, Marketing and Governance.

Please take the time to read the information in this booklet to find out more about this role and we look forward to receiving your application for this role.



Mr John Bates Principal



VACANCY SCIENCE TECHNICIAN (FULL OR PART TIME)





Salary	Grade 5 SCP 6 - 11 (£25,989 - £28,142)
Role Details	From 22.2 hours per week up to full time for the right candidate. Term time plus 5 days
Closing Date	9am on Thursday 23 rd October
Interview Date	TBC
Start Date	As soon as possible subject to notice period in current role.



JOB DESCRIPTION

Reports to: Head of Curriculum

Role Specific

- Be responsible for the preparation and maintenance of resources, whilst ensuring that all Health and Safety regulations are adhered to.
- Design, prepare and maintain specialist equipment /resources as required by staff/curriculum/ lesson plans, and assist others in their use including within lessons.
- Be responsible and ensure the creation and maintenance of a clean and orderly working environment.
- Be responsible for keeping and updating records as agreed with Head of Curriculum and subject teachers
- Promote and ensure the Health and Safety, and good behaviour of students at all times.
- Assist in the development of lesson/work plans, administration of coursework, worksheets etc.
- Operate the relevant equipment, including in a safe and appropriate manner.
- Ensure orderly and secure storage of relevant equipment and premises at all times.
- Be responsible for the provision/ ordering of stock and equipment. Ensure correct and up to date stock lists of equipment and materials. In addition, supervision of the requisite Health and Safety checks.
- Checking for damage and vandalism on a daily basis undertaking relevant repairs or arranging for attention as required.
- To develop positive relationships with students and staff to assist student progress and attainment.
- To assist in student supervision and the management of behaviour, and in providing a purposeful, orderly and supportive environment for learning.
- To undertake classroom administrative tasks including the maintenance of records.
- Administer tests and assist in the invigilation of exams.

Trust Responsibilities

- Share the Trust's Vision, Mission, Values and Behaviours and communicate them effectively.
- Participate in Staff Review and Professional Development activities, and be actively involved in the Trust's culture of high expectation.
- Value diversity and promote equality.
- Adhere to Trust policies and procedures including Health and Safety.
- Be responsible for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.
- Any other duties that the Principal considers appropriate.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Training, Experience and Knowledge

Experience of working in a scientific role or laboratory setting Desirable Knowledge of the safe storage and use of dangerous substances, including stock control Desirable

Knowledge and understanding of health, safety and welfare regulations and best practice Desirable

Knowledge of a range of scientific subjects Essential
Experience of working with a range of scientific equipment Essential
Experience of working in an educational environment Desirable
Experienced/trained first aider Desirable

Personal Skills and Attitudes

Display initiative, be positive and enthusiastic Essential

Demonstrate a commitment to equality and diversity, customer service and quality assurance Essential

Possess excellent communication and relationship building skills Essential
Be a team player with the ability to work independently Essential
Demonstrate a flexible, adaptable, resilient and results orientated approach Essential
Ability to lead and manage own workload effectively, and take responsibility for own professional development Essential
Suitability to work with children and young people Essential



PRE EMPLOYMENT CHECKS

Please note: All of our positions are subject to an enhanced DBS check. If there's any reason why this may preclude you from being considered, please contact the Pendle Education Trust team. In line with Keeping Children Safe in Education 2025, an online search will be carried out as part of our due diligence on shortlisted candidates.

CVs are not accepted. If you're interested and would like to submit an application, please complete our online application form via our website careers.pendleeducationtrust.co.uk

Equal Opportunities statement

We are an Equal Opportunities employer, welcoming applications from all sections of the community.

Rehabilitation

The post you are applying for is covered by the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 (as amended in 2013). If successful you will be required to apply to the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) for a 'disclosure'. Information provided by you or the Disclosure and Barring Service will be dealt with in a confidential manner in accordance with the DBS's Code of Practice. You may view the Code of Practice on the DBS website at www.gov.uk/dbs or alternatively a copy is available on request.





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