

Woodside Academy – Part of London South East Academies Trust
Teaching Assistant (Special school setting)

Location: Woodside Academy, Colyers Lane, Erith, Kent, DA8 3PB

Contract Type: Permanent, (8.40am-3.30pm) Term time

Grade: Bexley 5.1 – 5.4 dependent on experience

Salary: FTE Salary is £22,185-22,587 (which will be pro-rated down to reflect hours and weeks per year)

Post Start Date: January 2021

Closing Date: Monday 22nd November 2021 (midday)

Your Opportunity

We are seeking to appoint a suitably qualified Relief Teaching Assistant to work in the EYFS, Primary & Secondary phases. The ideal candidate should possess excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Experience of working with children with special needs, including those with autism, is essential. The successful candidates will join a friendly, supportive team with opportunities for further training.

We can offer you:

- Work in a safe, successful and inclusive community.
- Access to a wide range of resources and support to help you in the role.
- The opportunity to join an experienced team.
- Enhancement of your skills through continuing professional development.

Our children are a delight to teach. They and our school have great potential.

About Woodside Academy

Woodside Academy is an all age special school, (EYFS-Post 16, for pupils with a primary diagnosis of autism. The school is a flourishing and vibrant learning community located in the London Borough of Bexley. The school's motto is "All together better" and we are committed to achieving our shared goal of individual and collective excellence for all. Visitors to the school frequently comment on the warmth of the welcome they receive, as well as, how much pupils and staff enjoy being at school.

Woodside Academy is part of the Belmont Woodside Federation, as such both Belmont and Woodside academies joined the London South East Academies Trust, LSEAT, in April 2019.

Woodside Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We ensure that we have a range of policies and procedures in place which promote safeguarding and safer working practice across the school.

Woodside Academy is committed to equality and diversity in employment practice and service delivery and expects employees to comply with our values of promoting equality and diversity, treating colleagues and service users with dignity and respect at all times. This commitment must be evidenced in practice. Any behaviour that falls below these standards is unacceptable to the School and potentially constitutes misconduct.

Further details about this vacancy, including the Job Description and Person Specification, are available to download from the downloads section below. Alternatively, if you wish to discuss the position, please contact the Office Manager, Karen Bellett at officemanagerwoodside@bwf.education or 01322 350 123.

How to apply

To apply for this vacancy please download and complete the application form, available from the downloads section below, paying particular attention to Section 4 of the form; to indicate how you satisfy the criteria set out in the Person Specification.

Applications should be submitted to officemanagerwoodside@bwf.education. Alternatively, paper applications should be sent to Woodside Academy, Colyers Lane, Erith, Kent, DA8 3PB. CVs will not be accepted. The closing date for applications is as above and interviews are scheduled for W/C 22nd & 29th November 2021.

Only applicants shortlisted for interview will be contacted.

References will be requested for applicants shortlisted prior to interview

Applicants invited to interview stage will be required to complete a Self-Disclosure form.

Further vetting checks including an Enhanced Disclosure with a check of the Barred List, obtained through the Disclosure and Barring Service, will be required on provisional offer.

This post is considered to be a customer-facing position; as such it falls within scope of the Code of Practice on English Language Requirement for Public Sector Workers. Woodside Academy therefore has a statutory duty under Part 7 of the Immigration Act 2016 to ensure that post holders have a command of spoken English sufficient for the effective performance of the job requirements. The appropriate standards are set out in the JD/Person Specification. These will be applied during the recruitment/selection and probationary stages.

PLEASE NOTE: YOU CANNOT APPLY FOR THIS VACANCY USING THE 'APPLY' BUTTON BELOW. PLEASE SEE INSTRUCTIONS ABOVE FOR DETAILS OF HOW TO APPLY.