Deputy Headteacher Candidate Pack for Quality of Education -Curriculum and Progress

Brentwood County High School







Welcome Letter

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER - Quality of Education - Curriculum and Progress

Dear Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in the post of Deputy Headteacher at Brentwood County High School with responsibilities for Quality of Education – Curriculum and Progress. The successful candidate will be part of a forward thinking, innovative school Leadership Team. As a Deputy Headteacher at Brentwood County High School, you will work in partnership with the Headteacher and the School Leadership Team to raise academic standards and remove barriers to learning.

Due to increasing student numbers, Brentwood County High School is on a journey of improvement and is seeking to appoint additional staff. Following our "Good" Ofsted rating in June 2022, demand for places in Year 7 and Year 12 has been rising. In February 2024, we opened the final stage of our £27 million DFE heritage building project. This provides new state-of-the-art learning environments including new science, sporting, technology, and art facilities whilst also retaining the character of the original school buildings that date back over a century.

BCHS is a Co-operative Academy which is firmly rooted in serving our community. We are proud to be an inclusive co-educational comprehensive school where we recognise that success for young people is built on firm foundations of trust, respect, care and hard work. We measure our success by much more than exam results as we recognise that such data tells only a part of the story of each of our young people. BCHS is already a great place to teach and learn. Our pupils are motivated and highly engaged by a dynamic learning environment, with a wide range of leadership and enrichment activities help to encourage a spirit of co-operation, aspiration and joy for pupils.

We are looking for a hardworking, ambitious and dynamic individual to join BCHS. Successful candidates will be part of a team of dedicated professionals. You will need to be flexible and adaptable to the needs of a growing school. Our staff team is a warm, welcoming and hardworking group, with staff wellbeing high on our agenda. As a Trust, we recognise the value of, and seek to achieve a diverse workforce. We welcome applications from all backgrounds. Please refer to our recruitment and selection policy statement (www.osborne.coop/working-with-us) for more information.

We hope you feel your skill set makes you a good fit for this exciting opportunity and I look forward to receiving your application.

Yours sincerely,
Sharon Jenner
Executive Headteacher for Secondary Education
Osborne Co-operative Academy Trust





The benefits of working with us

We understand that our employees are our greatest asset. We are dedicated to providing our staff with benefits that include a professional development process and continued professional development opportunities both within the school and across the trust, access to online training and supporting the NPQs through the Apprenticeship Levy as well as competitive salaries, generous annual leave, two-week autumn half term, recognition of continuous service and fully subsided access to the Employee Assistance Programme. We also offer a relocation package of up to £8,000 for new employees renting or buying a property

We also recognise the importance of work-life balance and offer flexible working arrangements, including part-time and job-sharing options as well as internal opportunities to support employees to have better working lives. Our commitment to our employees' wellbeing extends to offering individual support and counseling services through our Employee Assistance Program and a supportive work environment that fosters teamwork, open communication, and recognition for a job well done. We believe that by investing in our employees' professional and personal growth, we are investing in the future of our pupils and our community as a whole.



Brentwood County High School is like a community. The support and career development they have offered me is second to none. There is no other trust like it. I can't do my job without their help. I love it!

Helen Neale, Safeguarding Officer and Well-being Manager Brentwood County High School

Our Cooperative Values



At Brentwood County High School, we live our Cooperative values daily, showing how we help people to help themselves. To take responsibility and ownership for our actions, to strive to give our members a voice in the way we run our organisation. Members will have equal rights and benefits, all members will be treated justly, fairly, and aim to support each other.













Will see and feel these values in our schools. Collaboration and peer review are integral parts of our school improvement strategy as we strive to fulfil the potential of all our students Sharon Jenner, Executive Headteacher for Secondary Education

About Brentwood County High School



I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to you as the Headteacher of Brentwood County High School. At Brentwood County High School, we take immense pride in being an inclusive school that nurtures and supports every student on their educational journey.

We firmly believe in the power of education to transform lives, and we hold high expectations for all our students. Our dedicated team of educators and staff are committed to providing a safe, stimulating, and supportive environment that enables each student to reach their full potential.

I am especially proud to share with you that in June 2022, we were recognised as a good school by Ofsted. This achievement is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our entire school community, including our exceptional students, talented staff, and supportive parents. It reflects our unwavering commitment to providing a high-quality education that prepares our students for their future endeavor's.

At Brentwood County High School, our core values are the foundation of everything we do. They are ingrained in our everyday life and shape our interactions, decisions, and policies. Our values consist of self-help, self-responsibility, democracy, equality, equity, and solidarity. We believe in empowering our students to take ownership of their learning, fostering an inclusive and respectful community, and promoting democratic principles that encourage active participation.

We strive to create an environment where each student feels valued, respected, and supported. Through our inclusive practices, we celebrate diversity and champion equality and equity. We firmly believe that every student has unique strengths and talents, and it is our responsibility to help them discover and develop these gifts.

I encourage all students to embrace the opportunities that lie ahead. Be curious, be ambitious, and be resilient. Together, let us create a vibrant learning community that inspires excellence, encourages collaboration, and nurtures compassion.







Knowledgeable and dynamic Trust with supportive governors, with a robust understanding of education



Motivated and polite pupils, who have a strong voice in the school with diversity champions and student parliament



Staff are aided by extensive and wide-ranging in-house support and coaching, by dedicated and helpful colleagues



Our people are at the heart of our success. We have developed a strong culture of cooperation and best practice, with professional development and career planning at its centre. We invest in all of our staff with support, coaching and mentoring



At Brentwood County High School, our vision is to empower every student to make continuous progress from their unique starting point. We strive to cultivate an environment that fosters academic growth, personal development and the acquisition of essential life skills.

Through a focus on the cooperative values our goal is to ensure that though our school community all students work together to flourish. This will ensure that each student can leave Brentwood County High as a well-rounded individual, equipped with the knowledge, character and confidence to navigate the challenges of the future successfully.

Parvis Rahman, Headteacher Brentwood County High School





"Pupils are proud of their school. They appreciate and benefit from the many positive changes that have taken place in recent years."



"Pupils have high aspirations for themselves and each other. They know that learning and doing well are important. Pupils work hard to achieve high levels of success. Lessons are calm and purposeful."



"Pupils understand and live up to the trust's core values. For example, they readily demonstrate 'self-help' when facing difficult tasks in lessons. Pupils have also shown admirable resilience in learning in the face of the challenges presented by the school's large building project. Many pupils proudly take up positions of responsibility. Students in the sixth form make many positive contributions to school life such as reading with younger pupils."



"The school is a caring environment where pupils' well-being is a top priority. If pupils feel worried about any aspect of their lives, they know that staff are willing and able to help. Bullying is not common."







- To lead on whole school curriculum development, innovation in teaching and learning and raising standards for all students.
- To lead curriculum development and so ensure that the curriculum is innovative, diverse, fit for purpose and supports all students to make progress, particularly the disadvantaged and those with SEND.
- To further raise levels of achievement across the school, working in collaboration with the Deputy Headteacher for Sixth Form. Ensure that there is a clear focus on continuous raising standards.
- Model through example, high expectations for both students and staff.
- To monitor, review and continually improve the effectiveness and impact of teaching and learning within the school.
- To further develop our positive culture of learning, ensuring teaching is adapted to meet the needs of all learners, and is creative and engaging.
- Ensure that there is a high quality CPD programme in place which supports all teachers to deliver first quality teaching which maximises positive impact on student progress and attainment.



- Ensuring highly effective staff induction and support for ECTs.
- Lead on school improvement strategies and support Trust improvement initiatives and collaboration.
- Securing high levels of engagement and exceptional progress for all students through the role of Raising Standards Leader, including EAL, PPG and all prior attainment groups.
- To lead the effective use of assessment data to inform teaching, curriculum adaption, target setting and improving performance.
- Effective line management of key areas of the school's curriculum.
- To lead, support and challenge subject leaders and the wider team.
- To ensure that students enjoy and achieve during their time at school and maximise their world of opportunity.
- Lead on transition points in the curriculum to ensure that students make good choices for future pathways.
- Lead on examinations and pre-public examinations.
- Support timetabling, ensuring it is financially and practically fit for purpose.
- School Census and statutory returns.



Job Description Leadership range 21 to 25 £78,507 to £86,450 depending on experience

Post: Deputy Headteacher

Salary: Leadership Range 21-25 **Responsible To:** Headteacher

Responsible For: Quality of Education - Curriculum and

Progress

Purpose of Job:

To play a major role under the direction of the Headteacher in formulating the aims and objectives of the school, establishing the school and trust policies through which they shall be achieved. Managing staff and resources to achieve the aims and objectives of the school and monitor progress towards their achievement.

To be an ambitious and highly effective leader who can support the Headteacher and Governors to ensure that a culture of high expectations is consistently applied across the school which secures outstanding outcomes for all students at Brentwood County High School.

Introduction: The Deputy Headteacher will have delegated responsibilities which are both school wide and of considerable weight. This will be in addition to carrying out the professional duties of a teacher other than a Headteacher. They will deputise for the headteacher on an operational basis.





1. Core Purpose and Accountability

- 1.1. Establishing the policies through which they shall be achieved, managing staff and resources to achieve the aims and objectives of the school and monitor progress towards their achievement.
- 1.2. Undertake the professional duties of the Deputy Headteacher reasonably delegated to you by the Headteacher.
- 1.3. Undertake the professional duties of the Headteacher, in the event of their absence from the school.
- 1.4. In partnership with the Headteacher and the Senior Leadership Team, provide professional leadership and management of Teaching and Learning throughout the school.
- 1.5. To provide professional leadership and management of School Development Plan priorities





2. Generic/Teachers

- 2.1. You are to carry out the duties of a school teacher as set out in the Pay and Conditions Document and subject to any amendments due to Government legislation. This includes any duties as may be reasonably directed by the Headteacher and the accountabilities expected of class teachers at Brentwood County High School.
- 2.2. To facilitate and encourage learning which enables pupils to achieve high standards, to share and support the corporate responsibility for the well-being, education and discipline of all children.
- 2.3. All staff are expected to uphold the school's principles and policies which underpin good practice and the raising of standards and are expected to uphold and promote the school's aims and values.
- 2.4. All staff will be involved in working together, as part of a team, to develop areas of provision that impact positively on learning and teaching across the school.
- 2.5 .All staff will take an active role in the School Self Evaluation process. As Deputy Headteacher you will be expected to be part of the school improvement team and help develop the School Self Evaluation process.
- 2.6. All staff are expected to actively undertake professional development through keeping abreast of the latest developments in schools by thinking, reflection, coaching and mentoring, self-evaluation and peer reviews.





3. Professional Development Process (PDP)

3.1. To undertake annual professional development process (PDP), setting and agreeing targets linked to school development plan priorities with the Headteacher.

4. Key Areas

- 4.1. Impact on educational progress:
 - a. Support the Headteacher in: Ensuring the vision for the school is clearly articulated, shared, understood and acted upon effectively by all. Demonstrating the vision and values of the school in everyday work and practice. Motivating and working with others to create a shared culture and positive climate
 - b. Assist the Headteacher in the ongoing and annual review of standards of leadership, teaching and learning in specific areas of responsibility and across all areas of school provision, consistent with the procedures in the school self-evaluation policy.
 - c. Create subject curriculum development plans which contribute positively to the achievement of the School Improvement Plan, and which actively involves all staff in its design and execution.
 - d. Develop and implement policies and practices for the curriculum area(s) which reflects the school's commitment to high achievement and is consistent with national and local strategies and policies.
 - e. Promote high expectations for progress and attainment.
 - f. Establish short, medium and long term plans for the development and resourcing for the specific areas of responsibility





g. Monitor the progress made in achieving subject/area plans and targets, and evaluate the effect on teaching and learning.

h. Work with outside agencies and stakeholders to inform future action.

4.2. Leading learning and teaching, developing, and enhancing the teaching practice of others:

a. Work with the Headteacher to raise the quality of teaching and learning and pupil's achievement, setting high expectations and monitoring and evaluating effectiveness of learning outcomes.

b. Provide regular feedback for colleagues in a way which recognises good practice and supports their progress against professional and performance management objectives resulting in a tangible impact on students learning.

c. Develop whole staff, phase teams and individuals to enhance performance. Undertake coaching and mentoring plan, organise and deliver staff meetings, where necessary bringing in outside speakers to keep abreast of the latest developments in the area and disseminate information effectively to other members of staff.

d. Plan, delegate and evaluate work carried out by team(s) and individuals.

e. Create, maintain and enhance effective relationships.

f. Recruit and select teaching and support staff.





4.3. Securing Accountability

a. Work with the Headteacher to ensure the school's accountability to a wide range of groups, particularly parents, carers, governors, Trust and OFSTED; ensuring that pupils enjoy and benefit from a high-quality education, for promoting collective responsibility within the whole school community.

Develop a school ethos which follows the Trust values and enables everyone to work collaboratively, share knowledge and understanding, celebrate success and accept responsibility for outcomes.

Work with the Local Governing Body and Trust (providing information, objective advice and support) to enable it to meet its responsibilities.

Develop and present a coherent, understandable and accurate account of the school's performance to a range of audiences including Trust, governors, parents and carers.

Reflect on personal contribution to school achievements and take account of feedback from others.

- b. Agree, monitor and evaluate the subject pupil progress targets to make a measurable contribution to whole school targets.
- c. Engage all staff in the creation, consistent implementation and improvement in schemes of work and curriculum plans which encapsulates key school learning strategies.
- d. Provide guidance on teaching and learning methods strategies including:

Coaching and mentoring; modelling and demonstrating excellent teaching practice. Act as a consultant for other staff. Undertake shared planning and team teaching. In line with Trust expectations for implementing systems for recording individual pupil's progress.

e. Evaluate the quality of teaching and standards of achievement, setting targets for improvement.



4.4. Resource Management

- a. Work with the Headteacher to provide effective organisation and management of the school and seek ways to improve organisational structures and functions based on rigorous self-evaluation.
- b. Work with the Headteacher to ensure the school and the people and resources within it are organised and managed to provide an efficient, effective, and safe learning environment.
- c. Oversee and evaluate the subject/area budget allocation to ensure the budget is spent in line with subject/area learning priorities and best value principles.
- d. Secure and allocate resources to support effective learning and teaching within the subject area(s).
- e. Monitor and control the use of resources and budget according to the school's and trust's agreed financial procedures.

4.5. Developing Self and Working with Others

- a. Work with the Headteacher to build a professional learning community which enables others to achieve.
- b. As an SLT Link, support staff, within your team and within the whole school, in achieving high standards through effective continuing professional development.
- c. Be committed to your own professional development.





- d. Implement successful performance management processes with allocated team of staff Treat people fairly, equitably and with dignity and respect to create and maintain a positive school culture.
- e. Build a collaborative learning culture within the school and actively engage with other schools within the Trust and outside to build effective learning communities.
- f. Acknowledge the responsibilities and celebrate the achievements of individuals and teams.
- g. Develop and maintain a culture of high expectations for self and others.
- h. Regularly review own practice, set personal targets and take responsibility for own professional development.

4.6. Achievement of Pupils

- a. Evaluate analysis of data to identify barriers to learning and suggest ways to address these.
- b. Monitor the progress of pupils throughout the year, identifying gaps and any underachievement alongside middle leaders (through classroom learning visits, book scrutiny, discussion with pupils, teachers and leaders).

4.7. Strengthening Community

a. Work with the Headteacher to engage with the internal and external school community to secure equity, equality and entitlement.





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- a. Work with the Headteacher to engage with the internal and external school community to secure equity, equality and entitlement.
- b. Work with the Headteacher to collaborate with other schools and organisations in order to share expertise and bring positive benefits to their own and other schools.
- c. Work with the Headteacher to work collaboratively at both strategic and operational levels with parents and carers and across multiple agencies for the well-being of all children.

5. Assessment

- a. Develop and maintain a whole school approach to assessment and target setting.
- b. Analyse assessment data from a variety of sources to inform whole school planning and resourcing.
- c. Present assessment data to a range of stakeholders.
- d. Develop ways in which parents can be informed about attainment.
- e. Evaluate analysis of data to identify barriers to learning and suggest ways to address these.
- f. Monitor the progress of pupils throughout the year, identifying gaps and any underachievement (through book scrutinises, planning checks, observation, discussion with pupils etc).





- g. Organise Performance Management Review meetings and evaluate outcomes.
- h. Work with a range of staff to analyse assessment data.
- Contribute to discussions with the Local Governing Body and Trust
- j. Co-ordinate informal and formal assessment arrangements.

6. Duties for Deputy Headteacher

- 6.1. To provide professional leadership and management of a key area of the School Improvement Plan as agreed, on an annual basis, with the Headteacher.
- 6.2. To be responsible for behaviour policy & practice across the school.
- 6.3. To provide professional leadership and management of the Curriculum.
- 6.4. To take an active role in the Schools Leadership Team, contributing to the development of identified areas leading to high standards of teaching, effective use of resources and improved standards of learning and achievement for all children.
- 6.5. To lead the professional development process of a group of teachers.



Person Specification



REQUIREMENT	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
QUALIFICATIONS		
	Degree	
	Qualified Teacher status	
	Evidence of continuing professional development	
EXPERIENCE		
	Experience across the Secondary age range	Liaison with external agencies
	Proven record of successful classroom teaching	
	Proven record of successful experience as Assistant Headteacher or Deputy Headteacher	
	Good ICT skills and knowledge to enhance teaching and learning through the identification, evaluation, adoption, and integration of effective education technology innovations into the curriculum	
LEADERSHIP AND	MANAGEMENT	
	Proven leadership and management skills	Project management experience
	Demonstrable excellent supervisory, administrative, communication and interpersonal skills	Knowledge and Understanding of GDPR
	Understand the Co-operative values and work effectively as part of the Trust	
	A clear vision of excellence in Secondary education	
	A proven ability to raise educational standards and a commitment to high standards of achievement	
	Understanding of school improvement and basic budget preparation	
	Understanding of the strategic role of the Governing Body and ability to work effectively with Governors	
	Ability to delegate, monitor and evaluate information	
	Evidence of good working relationships with parents and the wider school community	
	Highly visual in and around the school	
	Experience of professional development process of both teaching and support staff	
	Commitment to the continuing professional development of all staff	
	Ability to lead by example and inspire others to achieve positive results	
	Ability to initiate and manage change sensitively in pursuit of strategic objectives	
	A commitment to the protection and safeguarding of young people and an up to date knowledge of Child Protection procedures and the protection of the prote	

Person Specification Continued





REQUIREMENT	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS/ TEACHING AND LEARNING			
	Ability to demonstrate knowledge of current curricular and educational issues/relevant legislation	Innovative and creative approach to teaching and learning	
	Clear knowledge and understanding of assessment and monitoring procedures and ability to implement these		
	Demonstrable knowledge and understanding of education technology and its use across the curriculum		
	Commitment to inclusion and equality of access to educational provision for all children		
	Demonstrable knowledge and understanding of safeguarding and Online Safety regulations, principles and resources		
	An understanding of consistent approaches to behaviour management		
	Demonstrable knowledge and understanding of productivity software such as Office 365 and Gsuite		
	Demonstrable knowledge and understanding of education technology associated with CPD, such as LMS, Video based professional learning and social media		
	The ability to identify user needs (teachers, students, management and administration), analyse, logically organise the information and come up with a variety of solutions including appropriate training resources.		
	Clear understanding of what is effective teaching and learning		
	A high regard for the personal achievement of each child		
PERSONAL QUALITIES			
	Strong interpersonal and communication skills	Have a good sense of humour	
	Engage effectively with staff, children and the community		
	Desire to promote respect between children, staff, parents and governors		
	A well organised person able to manage time effectively, to delegate, to prioritise and to meet deadlines		
	Ability to recognise and utilise staff strengths		
	Ability to build, support, motivate and work as part of a high performing team		
	Ability to inspire children		
	Resilient, hardworking and calm in a crisis		
	Lead by example in extra-curricular activities		



How to apply

Please complete the application form on our website

If you wish to discover more about this exciting opportunity, or need any further information or would like to have an informal discussion, please contact Sharon Jenner Executive Head Teacher of Secondary Education for the Osborne Cooperative Academy Trust on s.jenner@osborne.coop or you can speak to our HR Director Louise Guy on l.guy@osborne.coop or call our recruitment helpline on

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- Closing date: Monday 15th April
- Shortlisting: Wednesday 17th April
- Interviews: Wednesday 24th April

