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December 2023

Dear Prospective Applicant

**SENIOR TEACHING ASSISTANT**

**RISE@GHC (specialist resourced provision at Garth Hill College)**

**24 HOURS PER WEEK (TERM TIME PLUS 2 DAYS)**

**BGI 6-14 (£13,486 - £15,374) based £12.74 - £14.52 per hour including London Weighting, depending on skills and experience)**

We are seeking to appoint a talented individual to the post of Senior Teaching Assistant. The role involves working with the teachers to deliver quality teaching that facilitates independence and progress for our young people.

The successful candidate will be highly competent in identifying and implementing individualised support plans, in conjunction with the pupil and family, which promote inclusion and independence. In addition, the successful candidate will contribute effectively to the work of the multi-disciplinary team, including delivering agreed therapy programmes.

The successful candidates will be educated to Level 3 (two GCE 'A' Level passes) and possess Level 2 qualifications in English and Mathematics (GCSE Grade C or higher or equivalent). Prospective candidates are advised to study the person specification and job description for this post carefully.

Rise@GHC is a specialist learning centre for young people aged 11-19 years with autistic spectrum conditions living in Bracknell Forest and other local authorities. Rise@GHC opened in September 2015 and there are currently 52 pupils on roll in years 7 -11. Our aim is to provide the specialist and personalised learning, care and support that will enable our pupils to go on to achieve educational and personal success, and progress well to the next stage of their lives; to further education, the workplace or to commence work based training or apprenticeships. Rise@GHC operates from a site in Eastern Road, just a fifteen-minute walk from the main college site. Pupils who attend Rise@GHC belong to the Garth Hill College community, wear the same uniform and benefit from access to facilities at the main site as appropriate.

Garth Hill is a 'good' school (OFSTED May 2019). Our last OFSTED report was very positive and all areas were rated 'good' by the inspection team. The inspectors commented on the determination and passion of staff to continue to develop the College. We are excited and confident about the future as we continue our journey to excellence.

I am fortunate to work with an extremely dedicated team of staff. We are passionate about our pupils' learning, and the Garth Hill community. We seek the very best for our pupils' education and



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their achievement and we are committed to providing excellent service and care to all of our pupils and their families. We also work in a great learning environment (our school building opened in September 2010) with superb facilities. A new Sixth Form Centre, in which our Inclusion Support Unit is based, and specialist SEND unit provision (Rise@GHC) was opened in 2015.

This is an exciting opportunity to work in a school committed to inclusion and be part of a highly effective pastoral team making a real difference to young people's lives. We believe that anyone can achieve, and beyond expectation, with relentless dedication, commitment and purposeful hard work. If you possess the qualities listed, have the necessary skills and experience, believe that working with young people is a privilege and are ambitious for the future of Garth Hill College, we welcome your application.

#### Applications

Should you have any queries or wish to visit the school please contact Ms S Barnes at the College on 01344 421122 or email on [s-barnes@garthhillcollege.com](mailto:s-barnes@garthhillcollege.com).

#### The Interview Process

If selected, the interview process will test and assess your fulfilment of the requirements for this position. The interview process will include consideration of your suitability to work with children and the interview panel will ask questions on safeguarding children/young people.

**CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS 09h00 ON 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024**

#### Safeguarding Children

Please note that Garth Hill College is committed to safeguarding children. In line with our Safeguarding Policy, we adopt safe recruitment procedures and always check the suitability of applicants to work with children/young people through the appropriate authorities. Only applications submitted on the College's application form will be considered and the successful applicant will be required to undertake a full check and disclosure by the Disclosure and Barring Service. It is our normal procedure to request references on shortlisted candidates prior to interview.

#### Support and Professional Development

A range of support and professional development opportunities are available at Garth Hill College.

- Friendly and supportive working environment
- Strong staff well-being culture and programme of events
- OFSTED 'good' (May 2019)
- Free use of on-site gym with rowing machines, cross-trainer, spin bikes and free weights.
- As a Bracknell Forest Local Authority school, staff also take advantage of Bracknell Forest employee benefits [Staff benefits | Bracknell Forest Council \(bracknell-forest.gov.uk\)](https://bracknell-forest.gov.uk).
- A comprehensive induction programme for new staff

Yours faithfully



Keith Grainger  
Principal