

Person Specification

POSITION: Learning Assistant Level 3

CRITERIA	E= Essential D = Desirable	Identified by
Knowledge		
• Understanding and working knowledge of the national curriculum and other learning programmes (within specified age range/subject area) e.g. knowledge of core subject areas etc	E	Application Form/Interview
Working knowledge and understanding of principles of child development, learning styles and independent learning	E	Application Form/Interview
 Working knowledge of relevant policies/codes of practice/legislation 	E	Application Form/Interview
 Understanding of inclusion, especially within a school setting 	E	Application Form/Interview
Experience of resources preparation to support learning programmes	E	Application Form/Interview
Skills and Abilities		
 Ability to work effectively within a team environment, understanding classroom roles and responsibilities 	E	Application Form/Interview
Ability to build effective working relationships with all pupils and colleagues	E	Application Form/Interview
Ability to promote a positive ethos and role model positive attitudes	E	Interview
Ability to work with children at all levels regardless of specific individual need and identify learning styles as appropriate	E	Interview
 Ability to adapt own approach in accordance with pupil needs 		
Excellent personal numeracy and literacy skills	E	Interview
Effective use of ICT to support learning	E	Application Form/Interview
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Qualifications and Training		
Relevant experience of working with children in an educational setting (within specified age range/subject area)	E	Application Form
 NVQ III or equivalent in teaching assistance or relevant experience 	D	Application Form
 Requirement to complete DfES Teacher Assistant Induction Programme 	E	Interview
 Willingness to participate in relevant training and development opportunities 	E	
Training in the literacy/numeracy strategy	E	Application Form
 Training in Special Educational Needs strategies 	-	Application Form Interview
 Willingness to undertake appointed person certificate in first aid administration 	DE	Application Form/Interview
 Specialist subject knowledge curriculum/ resources (enter specifics here) if required by school 		Application Form/Interview
Professional Values and Practice		
Must be able to demonstrate all of the following:		
 High expectations of all pupils; respect for their social, cultural, linguistic, religious and ethnic backgrounds; and commitment to raising their educational achievements 		
• Ability to understand, build and maintain successful relationships with pupils and colleagues, treat them consistently, with		
respect and consideration, and demonstrate concern for their development as learners.	E	Application Form/Interview
• Demonstrate and promote the positive value, attitudes and behaviour they expect from the pupils with whom they work		
• Ability to work collaboratively with colleagues, and carry out role effectively, knowing when to seek help and advice		
Able to liaise sensitively and effectively with parents and carers recognising role in pupils' learning		
Able to improve their own practice through observations, evaluation and discussion with colleagues		
Other Circumstances		
An ability to fulfil all spoken aspects of the role with confidence through the medium of English	E	Interview