



# **Job Application Pack**

Job Title: Site Operative

Salary: NJC Scale 5, Pt 12-17, £21,589-£23,836 pro rata

Hours: 37 hours per week, 52 weeks a year

Contract Details: Permanent, full time

Closing Date: Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2019



## Letter from the Head of School

#### **Dear Candidate**

Thank you for expressing an interest in a vacancy here at Meden School, on behalf of the whole community I extend you a very warm welcome.

As Head of School my priorities are: excellent examination outcomes, impeccable behaviour, great teaching and the widest possible range of extra-curricular experiences for all students. With a clear focus and lots of hard work, these things are all achievable and will deliver what I think most parents want – happy children who leave school well-equipped to cope with the world outside and with a range of options open to them.

There has never been a more exciting time to be a part of Meden staff. We are currently setting out a new vision and mission for the school as we aim to move from Good to Outstanding. The educational landscape is changing beyond recognition and this provides us with new challenges. However, these challenges can be met, and staff and students alike can thrive if we hold at the core of our work the belief that every child can succeed. Everything we do is in service of the children who have trusted their future's to us. This is a big responsibility and one that I know we all take very seriously. I am absolutely certain that standards at Meden can be driven ever higher through high expectations, excellent teaching and a pastoral system that provides our students with the support and challenge they need.

I want all staff to enjoy coming to work, to feel fulfilled, challenged as a professional and supported as a member of staff. Only in these conditions can any of us thrive. Our investment in staff is outstanding. Whatever the post, there is a clear professional development route map and we actively encourage leadership and risk taking at all levels.

I look forward to welcoming you into our school community.

Emma Sims Head of School



## Letter from the CEO

Dear Candidate,

I am delighted to be able to introduce you to Meden School and the tremendous opportunities this school offers the young people of Warsop.

Working in partnership with the local governing body, we have raised aspirations and improved outcomes for the students we serve.

Critical to this, is the appointment of dynamic and innovative staff who can bring energy and initiative to the work of the school.

This is a tremendous opportunity to make a difference to the lives of young people, and will suit an ambitious professional looking to make their mark.

Thank you for showing an interest in working at Meden School, and we look forward to receiving your application.

John Tomasevic

CEO of the Nova Education Trust



# **Application Details**

Thank you for your interest in the School Site Operative vacancy at Meden School. Further details of this post, the school and the Trust are included in this pack and details of how to apply can be found below.

## **How to Apply**

Should you wish to apply for the post, please complete an online application form, which includes a covering letter addressed to Ms. Sims. This should clearly demonstrate your suitability for this role.

The online application form for this role is located on the current vacancies page of the school website <a href="www.medenschool.co.uk">www.medenschool.co.uk</a>. Wherever possible, please provide email addresses for your referees.

## **Closing Date**

Please ensure your application arrives as soon as possible, the closing date is Wednesday 22nd May.

#### Interview:

Interviews for the role will be held on a date to be confirmed. If you have not heard from us within 2 weeks of the closing date, please assume that unfortunately, on this occasion, your application has not been successful.

## Safeguarding

Meden School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and we expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.



## **Job Description**

#### **GENERAL DUTIES**

- Undertake, as directed by Site Manager, physical checks and tests to ensure the school is compliant with Health & Safety legislation, eg: Legionella, Asbestos, fire
- Undertake weekly testing of fire alarms and emergency lighting and report faults/issues to Site Manager
- Assist the Site Manager by undertaking, in conjunction with Lead Teachers/Department Heads and reviewing annually, departmental risk assessments in line with LA guidance:-
- 1. The security of the premises together with its contents
- 2. Board up and make secure the building(s) following acts of vandalism
- 3. Attend to the heating of the premises and ensure that the required temperatures are maintained. Ensure that the boiler plant equipment, including heater cabinets are cleaned and maintained in accordance with the specification and faults reported
- 4. Clean up areas around school, during the school day, as required. Maintain floor surfaces in accordance with the requirements of the college specification
- 5. Monitor fuel consumption; liaise with Site Manager with regard to delivery orders, log books
- 6. Carry out porterage duties as and when required by the school/college
- 7. Ensure that all the exterior hard-surface including artificial/turfed areas are kept in a clean and tidy condition including the emptying of litter baskets, the cleaning of drains and gulleys as required and the salting, de-icing of hard surface areas during the winter months and moving of snow to ensure access to the Premises
- 8. Undertake routine maintenance tasks, such as minor repairs and redecoration and any other such tasks agreed to be part of the establishment's routine maintenance programme and provide an agreed range of "handy person" duties e.g. repair of doors and fittings, acts of vandalism, removal of graffiti etc.
- 9. Give adequate supervision and directive advice to cleaning staff, where applicable
- 10. Be available and attend to the requirements of the hirers of the premises for the purpose of evening and weekend lettings as required
- 11. In cases of emergency outside the working week e.g. fire and flood, to attend for such action as required
- 12. Where required, assist with the cleaning of internal glass and windows
- 13. Monitor and log all consumable items used by cleaning and caretaking staff in the course of duties. Log to be passed to Site Manager on a weekly basis to enable re-ordering of consumables



- 14. Set out furniture and help set up for assemblies
- 15. To take reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and other persons who may be affected by their activities and where appropriate, safeguarding the health and safety of persons under their control and guidance in accordance with the provision of Health and Safety legislation.
- 16. Be aware of relevant issues and ensure the safeguarding of the welfare of students.
- 17. Undertaking any other duties that may reasonably be regarded as within the nature of the duties and responsibilities/grade of the post as defined, subject to the proviso that normally any changes of a permanent nature shall be incorporated into the job description in specific terms
- 18. To promote and safeguard the welfare of children and young people for whom you are responsible and with whom you come into contact with during the course of your duties and responsibilities. Your conduct must at all times in in accordance with the school's policies and procedures
- 19. To report any causes for concern relating to the welfare and safety of children to the designated person and the Head of School or if unavailable the designated safeguarding governor or a member of the Senior Leadership Team
- 20. To attend safeguarding training as required by the school and maintain your knowledge and understanding of your responsibility for safeguarding children in this school
- 21. To take reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and other persons who may be affected by their activities and where appropriate, safeguarding the health and safety of persons under their control and guidance in accordance with the provision of Health and Safety legislation

Although a 37 hour week is in operation, the nature of the post requires a flexible working pattern to meet the needs of the school eg; in winter and times of extreme weather conditions.



**Person Specification: Site Operative** 

	Essential	Desirable	Method of Assessment A, I, R
Qualifications	<ul> <li>Evidence of recent professional development</li> <li>GCSE Level 2 or equivalent (inc English and Maths)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>First Aid qualification</li> <li>Vocational qualification/FE qualification or similar relating to a trade</li> </ul>	А
Experience	<ul> <li>Working in a maintenance/industrial environment</li> <li>Working with young people</li> <li>Working in a team</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintenance of machinery</li> <li>Working in an educational environment</li> <li>2 years+ working in a trade or similar role</li> </ul>	A, I, R
Knowledge & understanding	<ul> <li>Awareness of current health &amp; safety regulations</li> <li>Be aware of relevant issues and ensure the safeguarding of the welfare of students</li> </ul>		A, I
Skills	Willingness to undertake further training in specialist field     IT literacy		I, R
Personal characteristics	<ul> <li>Can work as part of a team</li> <li>Organised and proficient</li> <li>Contribute to an inclusive ethos</li> <li>Ability to earn respect from stakeholders</li> <li>Integrity, optimism and resilience</li> <li>Confident and a clear communicator</li> <li>An ability to fulfil all spoken aspects of the role with confidence through the use of English language</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Motivational of others</li> <li>Ambitious and willingness to progress</li> <li>Ability to remain calm and focussed</li> </ul>	I



## **Overview of the Trust**

The Nova Education Trust is a dynamic and growing Multi Academy Trust Group based in the East Midlands. Our Trust Group is committed to providing high quality education to all of our students, regardless of their backgrounds.

With a range of schools in the trust serving a variety of different communities, opportunities for career progression and wider professional experiences are extensive. We have outstanding CPD provision across our schools, supported by our Teaching School Alliance, which links 23 schools together, sharing effective practice and developing new models for staff development. We also have a unique programme designed to provide middle and senior leaders with all the skills required to develop their careers.

As an employer we offer an enhanced benefit package to all staff that includes help with healthcare and a fully-funded MA programme for all teaching staff. We can also offer help with relocation in certain circumstances. The Trust also has a policy of wider engagement for main-scale, middle and senior staff. In recent years, employees have visited schools in America, Canada, Finland, Singapore and South Africa as part of their professional development.

## Overview of the School

Meden School is situated in Market Warsop, Nottinghamshire. The school delivers an 11-18 curriculum and has around 800 pupils on roll.

In November 2017 Ofsted rated the school as 'good' and we now seek to consolidate this position and to work towards 'outstanding'.

Since the Trust began working at Meden School, results have significantly improved and the school was placed in the top 10 most improved schools nationally in 2012. Meden School is now well placed to begin the next phase of its journey to becoming an outstanding school.

#### **Achievement**

Meden School's primary focus over the last four years has been to raise achievement and aspiration.

There has been consistent improvement in the English and Maths headline figure and the Progress 8 figure is also positive. Nevertheless we believe that our students can be even more successful and are determined to ensure that every child is successful.

### Staffing and Leadership

Meden School has a young staff profile and all appointments have been made with a clear focus on raising achievement.

The Senior Leadership Team is experienced and pro-active. The team has been critical in raising achievement and developing an ethos of aspiration amongst students and staff.



The school day begins at 8.30am, lessons are 50 minutes long with a morning break and a 35 minute lunch at 12.20pm. The school day ends with a 50 minute Study Period 4 days a week (3.30pm) and at 2.35pm on a Friday.

#### **Pastoral Structure**

Meden School moved to a year based pastoral system in September 2017. The benefits of focused year based system, is proving to be a big success hereat Meden School.

### **Location and Site**

Market Warsop is a small town on the outskirts of Mansfield, Nottinghamshire. Situated on the north Nottinghamshire coal field, Market Warsop has reinvented itself as a commuter suburb since the local mine closed.

Meden School is situated on a large site at the edge of Market Warsop. The school benefits from extensive buildings and grounds, and a programme of renovation has resulted in significant improvements to the building stock and teaching areas. The school has access to excellent sporting facilities.

#### Governance

Meden School has an active and engaged group of Governors who's strong loyalty to the school and a good understanding of the local community have helped to shape and support the work of Meden School in raising achievement and aspirations. The Torch Academy Gateway Trust Directors continue to take a strong interest in Meden School, providing support and advice as necessary.

#### **Extra Curricular**

Meden School runs a wide range of extra-curricular course, trips and enrichment activities.

## **Securing Success**

Our vision is to build capacity for sustained improvement. There are a number of short-term strategies that can be initially used to enhance outcomes but it is our view that these need to be supplemented by a process that configures a school for long term improvement.

This work is centred on transforming a school using our 'Pillars of Success' improvement model. Transformation is achieved through the combination of a number of changes and improvements to each of these pillars within a school:

- Leadership
- CPD
- Curriculum
- Learning Organisation
- Care, Support, Guidance
- Performance Management



Tracking and Intervention

## **Safeguarding and Child Protection**

The Trust and all its schools are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. All new staff within the Trust will be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

Each school in the Trust has a designated member of the leadership team who is responsible for referring and monitoring any suspected case of abuse. All members of staff will receive training in line with our child protection policy.