Headteacher Job Description and Person Specification

The role of the Headteacher is to provide strategic leadership and professional management for Crosby High School. This will secure success and improvement for the school; ensure high quality education and personalised learning for all its pupils and high standards and achievement in all areas of the school's work. The governors will expect the Headteacher to lead by personal example in demonstrating a full and professional commitment to excellence in education.

JOB DESCRIPTION	ATTRIBUTES REQUIRED	Essential (E) / Desirable (D)
A. Shaping the Future Critical to the role of the Headteacher at our school is working with the governors and others to further develop a shared strategic vision and plan which inspires and motivates pupils, staff and all other members of the school community and . to raised standards of achievement.	A1. Able to build a coherent vision of excellence for the school and can work steadily towards this goal. (A, I, P)	E
	A2. Proven experience of raising standards of achievement in an SEN setting. (A, I, P)	D
	A3. An inspirational leader, able to motivate and empower all staff, students, carers and parents with energy and enthusiasm (I)	E
	A4. Commitment to championing the school's values of Responsibility, Respect, Empathy, Trust, Kindness,	E
	A5. Able to make difficult decisions and follow them through. (I) A6. A determination to raise standards across the school and ability to do so effectively. (I)	E E
	A7. Has excellent oral and written communication skills and excellent listening skills. (A, I, P)	E
	A8. Has experience of strategy formation and implementation at leadership level in an appropriate setting. (A, I, P)	E

	A9. Able to implement and deliver change where and when needed (I, P)	E
B. Leading Teaching and Learning		
	B1. Experience of establishing and developing a range of	E
To ensure a broad and balanced curriculum is provided which develops the	successful strategic partnerships (A, I)	
whole child and sets high expectations so that pupils achieve their maximum	B2. Substantial recent senior leadership experience in an	E
potential. To lead and challenge a team of practitioners to ensure that	appropriate school or similar setting. (A, I)	
excellent teaching and learning is provided. The Headteacher will utilise and	B3. Has an extensive understanding of current and future	E
further develop current strategic partnerships and establish and develop new	curriculum developments across all key stages. (I)	
ones.	B4. Has in-depth knowledge of excellence in SEN teaching	E
	practice, including appropriate teaching and learning styles. (I) B5. Substantial experience of target setting, monitoring and	
	evaluation, school improvement planning and curriculum	E
	leadership. (A, I)	
	B6. Can make decisions based upon analysis, interpretation and	E
	understanding of relevant data and information from both within	
	and outside the school. (I)	
	B7. Understands school self-evaluation and its link with school	E
	improvement and OFSTED inspection processes. (I)	
	B8. Able to lead, manage and develop a culture of high	E
	expectations and appropriate challenge led by personal example.	
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	B9. Able to design and deliver a broad and balanced curriculum,	E
	which includes innovative approaches to enrich the cultural experiences of all pupils. (I)	
	B10. Is committed to personalised learning approaches, in order	
	to ensure success for every child. (I) B11. Has experience of	E
	monitoring practice to ensure that devolved responsibilities are	
	being carried out in order to improve the quality of teaching and	
	learning across the school (A, I)	

	B11. Commitment to providing each child with equity to achieve their full potential (I)	E
C. Developing Self and Working with Others		
	C1. Is a qualified teacher. (A)	Е
To work with and through others, including our governors, pupils, staff, parents, carers and other members of the community to build a professional learning environment, which enables all to achieve. To ensure that this environment celebrates achievement and diversity.	C2. Able to demonstrate evidence of own continuing professional development, including leadership development, and is committed to learning, listening and reflecting. (A, I, R)	E
	C3. Treats people fairly, equitably and with dignity to create and maintain a positive school ethos. (I, R)	E
	C4. Able to promote team and individual working to motivate staff to achieve excellent outcomes for pupils, as appropriate to fulfil school objectives. (I)	E
	C5. Able to establish trust and excellent working relationships with others, can deal sensitively with people and resolve conflicts and can demonstrate balanced and fair judgement (I, R)	E
	C6. Experience of developing individuals and teams in order to achieve personal and shared goals in the drive for school improvement. (A, I, R)	E
	C7. Able to balance work and personal life and is considerate of the well-being of others. (I, R)	E
D. Managing and Leading the		
Organisation	D1. Able to plan strategically and operationally, allocate resources effectively and evaluate impact (I)	E
To provide effective organisation and management for Crosby High School, and to lead and seek ways of improving organisational structures and functions. Ensure that the school, the people and resources within it are	D2. Experience of working on and reviewing the performance of staff through rigorous appraisal and performance management systems. (I)	E
organised and managed to provide an efficient, effective and safe learning	D3. Manage financial and human resources effectively and efficiently (A, I, R)	Е
environment, managing available resources and ensuring value for money through effective performance management.	D4. Able to create and promote a positive and inclusive school ethos (I)	E

	D5. Able to identify successes and failures, and positively embrace change to secure continuous school improvement. (I, P)	E
	D6. Prepared to challenge established ways of working in order to move the school forward.	E
	(A, I, P) D7. Has experience of leading or participating in the	E
	implementation of school or national initiatives. (A, I) D8. Experience of securing external funding for projects. (A, I, R) D9. Able to demonstrate commercial acumen and understands	D
	the principles of best value. (I) D10. Able to meet statutory and legal requirements as head of	E
	school to ensure all regulatory factors are adhered to in an ethical and professional manner. (A, I)	E
E. Securing Accountability The Headteacher of Crosby High School will have a professional responsibility to the whole school community. The Headteacher is also legally and contractually accountable to the governors for the school, its environment and all its work. Additionally, the Headteacher is responsible for ensuring collective responsibility in order that all members of the school community accept they are accountable for the contribution they make to school outcomes.	E1. Ability to undertake robust school self-evaluation and use the	E
	outcomes to improve children's achievements (A, I) E2. Experience of establishing clear policies and practice throughout the school and implementing procedures to monitor	E
	and evaluate their impact. (I, P) E3. Experience of presenting a clear account of the school's performance to all members of the school community e.g. Governors, parents, staff and others to enable them to fulfil their responsibilities. (I)	E
	E4. Use of a range of evidence including performance data and external evaluations to improve aspects of school life including challenging poor performance (A, I)	E
	E5. Understands the need to maintain a safe and healthy environment for all users of the school. (I)	E
	E6. Understands the Headteacher's responsibilities for safeguarding and equalities. (I)	E

F. Strengthening Community through		
Collaboration To engage with the internal and external school community, thus modelling the principles of equity and entitlement. To encourage and engage in collaboration with other schools in order to bring positive benefits to the school and share its expertise more widely. To ensure the school seeks creative ways to support our wider community in all facets of life.	F1. Experience of networking and working collaboratively with other schools and education providers, agencies, the wider community, multi-faith communities and businesses and involving them in enriching the learning experience of pupils. (A, I, R) F2. Ability to engage in a partnership with parents and carers, to enhance children's enjoyment, wellbeing, achievement and personal development. (I)	E