



# Application Pack

# ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT



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The governors, staff and students of Buttershaw Business and Enterprise College (BBEC) warmly welcome you to our guide for prospective applicants for the role of Admin Assistant.

Our vision is that we will all work to ensure that our students will be the **best** they can be and can achieve great things. They will be **ambitious**, **resilient** and **determined** in their learning and **respectful**, **courteous** and **kind** in their relationships.

We will thus prepare our students to lead happy and successful lives.

We live this vision every day. It is a real privilege to introduce our vibrant school to you.

We believe students' education is not a dress rehearsal; they only get one chance and it is important that our school provides a safe, happy environment where our young people feel valued and can learn and fulfil their potential. The school has undergone change over recent years; these changes have resulted in greater success for our students. We are on a trajectory of rapid improvement. At BBEC we understand the importance of great teaching and our students being successful academically, but as well as this we offer fantastic opportunities for children to develop skills and interests beyond the classroom. We believe this helps students have a fully rounded, exciting learning experience so that they can thrive and be prepared for adult life.

We are a truly comprehensive school and we welcome all children. We have a fantastic mix of students with different skills and talents. The breadth of our curriculum is designed to include a range of academic and innovative courses for all abilities, from the university bound to those with additional learning needs. We are truly proud of our inclusive approach and our commitment to see every child reach his or her potential. We expect all staff to work hard to ensure that we fulfil this aim.

### The intent of the curriculum at BBEC is to:

- develop the whole child to ensure that they embody BBEC's values, both in and out of school, by being ambitious and resilient in their work and courteous and kind in their interactions with other people.
- provide an all-round education that delivers excellent outcomes in terms of academic success, improved cultural capital and increased ambition in order to counter social disadvantage.
- create a school where everyone belongs and equality of opportunity is actively and effectively promoted.
- develop an understanding, appreciation and respect for diversity while recognising and celebrating difference as well as all we have in common.
- ensure students are compassionate, courteous and kind by guiding their moral, intellectual and creative development.
- secure high levels of literacy, oracy and numeracy to enable students fully to participate in their acquisition of knowledge at BBEC and (the world) beyond.
- nurture academic habits and skills, emotional intelligence and creativity across a wide range of subjects including the arts, music, performing arts, IT, technology and sport.
- foster confidence, delight, resilience and discipline in seeking knowledge; a buzz for learning!
- develop knowledge of, and pride in, Buttershaw and Bradford as well as developing ambition and awareness of the possibilities outside the local environment.









At BBEC, we recognise that our staff are our biggest asset. We believe that our children deserve only the best quality staff, so we recruit carefully and invest in training to ensure continued improvement and an excellent quality of education.

Although we are a large school, we work very hard to ensure we retain our community, family ethos. We strongly believe education is a partnership between school, students and parents and work hard to develop this partnership.

We would be delighted to invite you to visit us in school so we can share our vision with you.

Ruth Hartley Head of School









## ABOUT BBFC

Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College is an **improving school**. We are an ambitious, community-focused academy of just under 1500 students serving an area of social deprivation on the southern edge of Bradford and seven miles from Leeds. BBEC is popular locally and is rapidly becoming the school of choice for the community of Buttershaw; for the last four years we have been over-subscribed in Year 7.



BBEC is an **inclusive school**, our school motto is **'We all belong at BBEC'**. We celebrate our differences and our similarities and do not tolerate discrimination of any type. We have a bold approach to inclusion and work so that all students and staff can bring their authentic selves to school.



BBEC has a cohesive, highly skilled and ambitious staff team who work hard to ensure that every student is successful. Many of our students face multiple challenges and it is through clarity of vision, professionalism and determined support for students and for each other that we are bringing about improvement. We have the highest expectations for all our students and expect that our staff teach to the very highest level. We have a rigorous approach to quality assurance and a significant commitment to Continuing Professional Development. Teachers have many opportunities to improve their teaching pedagogy and pedagogical subject knowledge and we expect them to make the most of these opportunities to ensure that the highest of standards are maintained.

BBEC is situated in a modern building. It has well-equipped departments that are arranged in suites of rooms. All teachers have a laptop, all classrooms are equipped with projectors and interactive whiteboards and all classrooms have access to student laptops.

All at BBEC are dedicated to raising the aspirations of our students and improving cultural capital through ambitious schemes of learning in all year groups and a varied offer of extra-curricular activities and opportunities. We run trips and visits to places in the UK and across the world, our students take place in a myriad of competitions and our CEIAG programme is exemplary. BBEC is unique in having five academies in Art and Design, STEM, Performing Arts, Sport and Enterprise, all of which aim to broaden the experiences and skills of our students.

This exciting role offers great opportunities for the successful candidate and a chance to make a difference to some wonderful young people.









### ADMIN AT BBEC

As a large secondary school, the administration function is covered by a team which includes:

- School Business Manager
- Office Manager
- Data Manager
- Headteacher's PA
- HR Officer
- Exams and Data Officer
- Lead Attendance and Family Liaison Officer
- Attendance and Admissions Officer
- Finance officers
- Admin Assistants
- Pastoral Admin Assistant
- Reprographics assistant
- Receptionist

Based in the main school office area, the admin team provide support for staff across the school and are the first point of contact for visitors and callers to the school.

This new role has been created to provide support across the breadth of the admin team and provides opportunities for professional development.













### **ABOUT BDAT**

Buttershaw Business and Enterprise College is an academy within Bradford Diocesan Academies Trust. If you are successful in being appointed, the Trust will be your employer.

### GENERAL INFORMATION AND BACKGROUND

Bradford Diocesan Academies Trust (BDAT) is a Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) supporting a number of primary and secondary academies in Bradford. BDAT is the only Church of England MAT operating in Bradford, as part of the Diocese of Leeds. BDAT is a charity governed by a board of trustees who are responsible for, and oversee, the management of the company. The Memorandum and Articles are available on the Trust's website at <a href="https://www.bdat-academies.org">www.bdat-academies.org</a>.

### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

"The Trust's mission is to provide an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice." We believe every child only has one chance at a good education.

In practice, as a Trust, we seek to work with and alongside the academies in our Trust to provide a good quality of education to all children in our academies. The Trust does this through operating a light touch support role for academies at times of challenge and by establishing collaborative structures and processes to enable them to work together and share good practices. As our family of academies continues to grow, we are constantly looking at how we can continue to improve to establish effective and efficient ways of partnership working. We believe this means we are big enough to achieve business economies of scale whist being small enough to retain our family of schools approach where we are truly able to know, understand and support each other.

### OUR CHRISTIAN FTHOS

BDAT is a proudly Christian organisation committed to providing high-quality education for all within an ethos which encourages academic, vocational, mental, physical, and spiritual opportunities and development for each member of its academies. Whilst robust Christian principles underpin the work of the academy, everyone is encouraged to explore their own spirituality and to recognise and understand that of others. It is for this reason that we choose to support and sponsor Non-Church of England academies, as well as those within the faith.











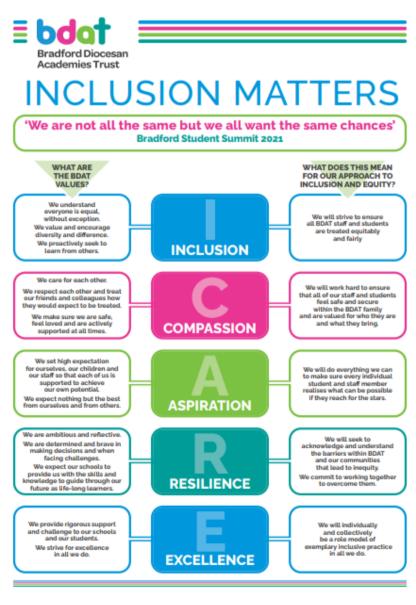
## BDAT PEOPLE: Our Faculty of Professional and Career Development

The BDAT Faculty of Professional and Career Development brings together into a single entity all that we currently do to recruit, develop and retain our staff. The Faculty provides the strategic direction to ensure that our professional and career development supports school improvement and drives our vision of BDAT as an employer of choice.

By bringing all our work in this area under 'one umbrella' it ensures our staff know about BDAT's development offers and how they can be accessed. https://bdat-people.org/

### **ICARF**

At BDAT we have considered the importance, effectiveness and sustainability of how we tackle issues like racism and other types of discrimination across all areas of our MAT and within each of our schools. We have led a Trust wide consultation to ensure we understand what we mean by inclusion and to look at what we can do differently centred around the Trust values: "ICARE".











### THE BDAT EMPLOYEE PLEDGE

Bradford Diocesan Academies Trust recognises that if our schools are to succeed, our teachers and school staff are our most valuable asset. As such we work hard to be an employer and the schools of choice in Bradford.

#### WE DO THIS BY:

- Relentlessly only recruiting the highest calibre of teachers who share our aspiration and ambitions for out pupils to succeed;
- Developing our teams by talent spotting and rewarding our next generation of leaders
- Making sure BDAT is a good place to work so that retain and grow the expertise and skills of our people. Keep reading to find out more about our employee pledge which sets out what you can expect from us if you choose to join BDAT and what we will expect of you.

#### WE WILL OFFER YOU:

- Work in a values driven, student centred organisation where every child is support to reach their academic potential and accomplish their individual goals. http://www.bdat-academies.org/about-us/bdat-mission-statement/
- The prospect of working for an increasingly successful and growing Trust which is committed to providing high quality education for all of its students and to be the schools of choice. www.bdat-academies.org
- A separate annual career development discussion with a senior leader resulting in a bespoke career development plan in addition to Performance Management.
- Assistance with career progression both within and outside the Trust
- A competitive employees' benefit scheme http://www.bdat-academies.org/aboutus/employeebenefit-scheme/

### WE WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

- Have a week's placement in one of the BDAT schools within the first two years
- Shape the curriculum developments in an ever- changing world
- Work with like-minded subject colleagues from the other trust schools
- Shadow colleagues both within the school and across BDAT
- Support the development of staff new to the profession or to their role











# THE BDAT EMPLOYEE PLEDGE (continued)

### IN RETURN, WE EXPECT YOU:

### To Model

- The values of BDAT and your school at all times
- Professional behaviours at all times

### To Be

- Committed to ongoing professional development
- A team player and to adopt a 'can do' attitude

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- Place safeguarding of students at the heart of the work
- Engage in constructive professional dialogue, giving and listening to feedback
- Contribute to the development of students and staff

Thank you for taking the time to read this information.











### MAKING YOUR APPLICATION

We hope that having read this pack you are inspired to apply for the post.

In order to apply, please complete the BDAT application form. The application form can be downloaded from the school website <a href="https://www.buttershaw.net">www.buttershaw.net</a> under Staff/BBEC Current Vacancies.

At BBEC our first priority is keeping our young people safe. Safeguarding is at the heart of all we do, and we work hard to ensure that all of our students are safe at all times and know how to keep themselves safe in a variety of situations. BBEC makes decisions about the suitability of prospective employees based on checks and evidence including: criminal record checks (DBS checks), barred list checks and prohibition checks, together with references and interview information.

If you would like to speak to someone about the vacancy or to arrange to visit the school, please contact Anna Krywyszyn at Buttershaw Business and Enterprise College on 01274 676285, or by email at anna.krywyszyn@bbec.bdat-academies.org.

Applications must be received by 9am on Friday 2 September 2022. Interviews will take place w/c 5 September 2022.

### INCLUSION

As a Trust we are an inclusive employer. We welcome applications from candidates of all backgrounds, faith, ethnicities or with any protected characteristics. We are simply looking for the very best candidate for the job and will assess your application only on the information in your written application or your performance at interview should you be successfully shortlisted.

We will ensure that the selection process is fair and without discrimination for or against any candidate based on age, ethnicity, gender, religious beliefs, marital status, sexual orientation or disability. The person specification sets out the criteria used to assess candidates through the selection process.











### ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT-JOB DESCRIPTION

### 37 hours per week term time only plus two training days Scale 3 SCP 5-6 (£16,565- £17,277 actual salary) pay award pending

#### 1. JOB PURPOSE

Assisting in the provision of efficient administrative services to the school, predominantly within the areas of admin and data.

#### 2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTABILITIES

#### Administration

To work under the direction of the Office Manager in supporting with the following duties but not limited to:

- Typing of letters, copy typing, setting up letter templates, report typing, mail merge documents.
- Updating students' data with student activities, change of address, change of contact details, movement between class groups, grades, letters.
- Updating the SIMS database.
- Populating teaching groups.
- Monitoring late arrivals, maintaining student files, handling money, dealing with student queries, printing students' timetables.
- Assisting with the planning for school events.

#### Data

- Setting up spreadsheets, changing/adding data to spreadsheets. Using formulae/filters.
- Producing and analysing data.
- Data inputting.
- Producing reports from a variety of different information formats

#### Reception

- Managing the telephone system: setting up new users, changing greetings, training staff on the use of the system.
- Answering telephone calls, taking messages and forwarding on calls as appropriate.
- Meeting and greeting visitors.
- Booking school rooms, arranging refreshments.

### Support for Staff

- Forwarding messages to staff, contact members of staff, general admin, contacting parents.
- Dealing with complex situations/queries.
- Liaising with outside agencies and other schools.
- Being a first aider

### Support for the School

- Being aware of and complying with policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to an appropriate person.
- Being aware of and supporting difference and ensuring all students have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop.
- Contributing to the overall ethos/work/aims of the school.
- Appreciating and supporting the role of other professionals.
- Attending and participating in relevant meetings as required.
- Participating in training and other learning activities and performance development as required.
- Assisting with the supervision of students on visits, trips and out of school activities as required and taking responsibility for a group under the supervision of the teacher.
- Supporting, upholding and contributing to the development of the school's equality policy and practices in respect of both employment issues and the delivery of services to the community.
- Undertaking lunchtime and break supervisory duties as directed by the senior staff.
- Supporting with creating and putting up displays around the school.
- Supporting with exam invigilation as required.

The duties and responsibilities listed provide an outline of the job. You may be asked to undertake other duties.











# ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT - PERSONNEL SPECIFICATION

ATTRIBUTES	ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS	HOW IDENTIFIED
Qualifications	Good qualifications in maths and English (grade 4 or above at GCSE or equivalent)	Application
Experience	Relevant experience of working in an office, including general clerical work Experience using SIMS in a school setting is desirable	Application References Interview
Training	Evidence of relevant training or willingness to undertake such training	Application Interview
Knowledge, Skills and Ability	Keyboard skills; able to work with speed and precision Attention to detail/high level of accuracy Clear oral and written communication Ability to carry out intermediate tasks in Word, including: mail merge, basic letters, copy typing, report typing to a good standard Ability to carry out intermediate tasks in Excel including: use of formulae and filters, producing reports, setting up spreadsheets Ability to use databases; data input, production of reports Reprographics experience is desirable Ability to use Powerpoint/Publisher to a good standard Ability to deal with complex situations and information Ability to remain calm under pressure and to prioritise conflicting demands and pressures First Aid at Work qualification is desirable	Application Interview
Personal Circumstances	Must be legally entitled to work in the UK (Asylum & Immigration Act 1996) Able to satisfy the requirements of safeguarding recruitment checks in line with Keeping Children Safe in Education (2019) Must have the ability to be flexible and work to the requirements of a busy school Interest in the school's wider role in the community	Application Interview
Disposition and Attitude	Approachability, courtesy and ability to present a positive image of the school to callers and visitors  Ability to work constructively as part of a team and with a wide range of staff at senior level  Demonstration of good co-operative, inter-personal and effective listening skills  A commitment to working with children of the relevant age  Ability to relate well to students and adults  Not requiring holiday leave during term time  A track record of working constructively and as part of a team	Application Interview References
Physical	Resilient Physically able to cope with the demands of a multi-level building	References Interview
Equality	A commitment to, and evidence of, promoting diversity and equal opportunities within the Trust, the curriculum and employment practice.	Application Interview







