

Dear Applicant

Thank you for your interest in the position of **Teaching Assistant Level 2 (TA2) SEN at Ashton on Mersey School, Cecil Avenue, Sale, M33 5BP.**

Salary – Band 4 Point 22-25 £21,074-£23,111 per annum. Actual Salary £18,046.

- 36.25 hours per week, 8.00am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday
- Term time only including 5 INSET days plus 2 weeks during periods of school closure
- Local Government Pension Scheme – Greater Manchester Pension Fund

Please find below a job description and person specification.

If you would like to learn more about The Dean Trust, please visit thethedeantrust.co.uk.

Method of Application

The preferred method of application is electronically via email to recruitment@thedeantrust.co.uk. All applications must be made using the Dean Trust's application form. Applications will be shortlisted for interview and the HR Department will contact those applicants who are selected.

Closing Date

Applications received after the closing time of **10am Monday 25th June 2018** will not be considered.

The Dean Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share in this commitment.

If you have any questions please contact us on 0161 973 1179 or email recruitment@thedeantrust.co.uk. Thank you again for your interest in working for The Dean Trust. We look forward to hearing from you.

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Job Description

The information contained below is to help staff understand and appreciate the work content of their post and the role they are to play in the operation. However, it should be noted that whilst every effort has been made to outline all the duties and responsibilities of the post, a document such as this does not permit every item to be specified in detail. Broad headings may therefore have been used, in which case all the usual associated duties are included in this job description.

Job title	Teaching Assistant –TA2 SEN
Reporting to	SENCo
Main purpose of job	NJC LEVEL 2/3 -To work under the instruction/guidance of teaching/senior staff to undertake work/care/support programmes, to enable access to learning for pupils and to assist the teachers in the management of pupils and the classroom. Work may be carried out in the classroom or outside the main teaching area. The post holder may be required to supervise groups of pupils undertaking activities in non-teaching situations.
Key responsibilities:	
Support for pupils	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assist in maximising the progress of every pupil• Supervise and provide particular support for pupils, including those with special needs, ensuring their safety and access to learning activities• Assist with the development and implementation of Individual Education/Behaviour Plans and Personal Care programmes• Establish constructive relationships with pupils and interact with them according to individual needs• Promote the inclusion and acceptance of all pupils• Encourage pupils to interact with others and engage in activities led by the teacher• Set challenging and demanding expectations and promote self-esteem and independence• Provide feedback to pupils in relation to progress and achievement under guidance of the teacher	
Support for teachers	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create and maintain a purposeful, orderly and supportive environment, in accordance with lesson plans and assist with the display of pupils' work• Use strategies, in liaison with the teacher, to support pupils to achieve learning goals• Assist with the planning of learning activities• Monitor pupils' responses to learning activities and accurately record achievement/progress as directed• Provide detailed and regular feedback to teachers on pupil achievement, progress, problems etc.• Promote good pupil behaviour, dealing promptly with conflict and incidents in line with established policy and encourage pupils to take responsibility for their own behaviour• Establish constructive relationships with parents/carers• Administer routine tests, invigilate exams and undertake routine marking of pupils' work• Provide clerical/admin support e.g. photocopying, typing, filing, money, administer coursework etc., to support learner development.	

Support for the curriculum

- Undertake structured and agreed learning activities/teaching programmes, adjusting activities according to pupil responses and needs
- Undertake programmes linked to local and national learning strategies e.g. literacy, numeracy, KS3, early years, recording achievement and progress and feeding back to the teacher
- Support the use of ICT in learning activities and develop pupils' competence and independence in its use
- Prepare, maintain and use equipment/resources required to meet the lesson plans/relevant learning activity and assist pupils in their use

Support for the school

- Be aware of and support difference and ensure all pupils have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop
- Contribute to the overall ethos/work/aims of the school
- Appreciate and support the role of other professionals
- Attend and participate in relevant meetings as required
- Participate in training and other learning activities and performance development as required
- Assist with the supervision of pupils in non-teaching times, including before and after school and at lunchtime
- Accompany teaching staff and pupils on visits, trips and out of school activities as required and take responsibility for a group under the supervision of the teacher

All employees have the responsibility to:

- Ensure any documentation produced is to a high standard and is in line with the brand style
- Be aware and comply with all policies and procedures relating to safeguarding, child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to the appropriate person
- Participate in training and other learning activities as required
- Participate in the school/academy Performance Management process
- Provide appropriate guidance and supervision and assist in the training and development of staff as appropriate
- To promote the area of responsibility within the school/academy and beyond
- To represent the school/academy at events as appropriate
- To support and promote the school/academy ethos
- To undertake any other duties and responsibilities as required that are covered by the general scope of the post
- To undertake any other reasonable duties at the request of the Chief Executive Officer and Headteacher

All post holders must comply with The Dean Trust professional standards for leaders and managers. The job description will be reviewed as necessary as part of the Performance Management process and is subject to modification and amendment at any time after consultation with the post holder



Person Specification

Experience	Essential <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Working with or caring for children of a secondary age• Related school based experience Desirable <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Successful secondary school previous TA experience
Qualifications, knowledge and training requirements	Essential <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good numeracy/literacy skills- GCSE 'C' grades or better equivalencies in English Language and maths• To be able to work as part of a team and to have good inter-personal relationships Desirable <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completion of DfES Teacher Assistant Induction Programme• Participation in SEND development and training opportunities• To have attended basic TA training at a college of further education (e.g. NCFE level 1 Training) and be working towards NVQ2 or similar qualifications (e.g. CACHE level 2)• To be qualified to NVQ level 2 or working towards NVQ3• To have attended significant Inset relevant to job and – in the case of those working with particular SEN pupils – to have become skilled in dealing with particular areas of special need though attending LEA and other providers of specialist training• To have completed CACHE CPD SEN Level 2 or similar
Knowledge/skills	Essential <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sound knowledge of the literacy / numeracy KS3 / Foundation Stage strategies and a good overview of Key Stage relevant curriculum• Sound knowledge of one or more areas of special need (depending on setting) and Code of Practice for SEN• Sound knowledge of the causes and patterns of poor behaviour and strategies to address these• Sound knowledge of how children learn and how to create and maximise learning opportunities.• Ability to relate well to children and adults• Work constructively as part of a team, understanding classroom roles and responsibilities and your own position within these Desirable <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appropriate knowledge of first aid• Competent use of basic technology and the effective use of ICT to support learning• To be aware of school policies and procedures• To have some knowledge of NC requirements, especially literacy, numeracy and PSHE• Understanding of relevant policies/codes of practice and awareness of relevant legislation• General understanding of national secondary stage curriculum and other basic learning programmes/strategies• Basic understanding of child development and learning

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to self-evaluate learning needs and actively seek learning opportunities
<p>SEN Payband</p>	<p>TAs appointed to jobs carrying the SEN addition must be prepared to carry out duties that include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dealing with complex behaviour/emotional needs • Dealing with complex physical, care and personal needs, including lifting and handling • Support complex sensory needs • Attend appropriate in service training as required to address the complex needs of the pupils • Communicate with parents/carers and other professionals around complex issues/needs • Be aware that the job may require TAs to work in difficult and challenging conditions arising from anti-social, challenging behaviour or medical conditions