



## **Director of Specialism: Science and Technology**

### **Bedford Academy**

(Replacing John Bunyan School), Mile Road, Bedford. MK42 9TR

Salary: L1-L4 (more for outstanding experienced candidate)

Post: Full-time Permanent

Closing Date: Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 9am

Interviews: 26<sup>th</sup> March

Start date: September 2010

This post provides a unique opportunity to shape the new Academy's Specialism from the outset, to be creative and to share the excitement of making a real difference to our students and our community.

As the Director of Specialism working within the Science and Technology Learning Village, you will have responsibility for leading initiatives in our Specialist subjects both within the Academy and in the local community through outreach work and projects. You will contribute to the strategic planning for the Specialism, working with the Director of Learning and the Assistant Principal for the Learning Village.

Bedford Academy opens in September 2010 initially on the site of the predecessor school for students aged 13 to 18. We move to our brand new building in 2012 and will take students from age 11 to 18. You will have the opportunity to contribute to the design and planning of our new build.

Bedford Academy will provide exciting, new and different opportunities for learning; transforming the aspirations and educational outcomes of our students and the local community. We will significantly improve attainment, particularly in English, maths, Science and Technology.

We are looking for an outstanding teacher and talented leader with the enthusiasm and drive to live up to our high expectations to deliver a positive impact on student outcomes. The post is suitable for either an outstanding experienced middle leader or an ambitious, talented developing leader with potential to drive innovation. You can expect to work in a supportive yet high energy atmosphere.

We wish to appoint someone who has:

- Excellent classroom and interpersonal skills
- The ability to lead effectively and work as part of a team
- Proven ability to put ideas into successful practice
- High quality organisational and management skills
- Evidence of improving student outcomes

The post is suitable for specialist teachers of Science or Technology subjects but the ability to teach Science to KS4 is essential for this post. A' level teaching in one or more of the Sciences or Design and Technology will be available for the right candidate.

If you are passionate about improving outcomes for students and you are looking for an exciting opportunity to have a real impact in a fast-paced, innovative environment, then this could be the job for you.

Bedford Academy is committed to safeguarding the welfare of young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. All appointments are subject to CRB checks and excellent references.

Further details about the Academy can be found on our website:

[www.bedfordacademy.co.uk](http://www.bedfordacademy.co.uk)

For an application form and further job details please contact Joanne Packwood, Principal's PA on 07873394426 or email [jpackwood@bedford.ac.uk](mailto:jpackwood@bedford.ac.uk)