

The South Wolds Academy and Sixth Form



Housekeeper Application Pack

September 2022



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Dear Applicant

Housekeeper

Thank you for your interest in this post.

The South Wolds Academy is a popular, high-attaining 11-18 school. Our main aim is to enable every student to achieve their academic and social potential. We strive to achieve outstanding attainment and care, guidance and support, underpinned by a strong programme of enrichment that prepares our students for the rest of their lives. In December 2019 OFSTED judged us to be a good school with many outstanding features and the most recent report can be found on our website. We are regularly one of the 10 highest performing schools in Nottinghamshire and our "culture of high achievement is prevalent in all that we do.

At the centre of our improvements are outstanding staff who are committed to taking every possible step to enable our students to enjoy and succeed. If you are successful in your application for this post then you can rest assured that we will be absolutely committed to your professional development, work-life balance, and career aspirations. Governors, senior leaders and I are committed to enabling all staff to fulfil their roles successfully, to flourish professionally and prepare for the next stage of their career.

Perhaps our school is best summed up by OFSTED who reported that "pupils achieve well within a culture of high ambition" and "teachers have high expectations of what pupils can achieve". We are looking for someone who can make a major contribution to our great school and further enhance our students' experience.

We would urge all candidates to explore the school website www.southwolds.co.uk to find out more about our great school and students. Alternatively you can follow us on twitter (@SouthWolds) or Facebook for an easier way of staying in touch.

South Wolds is an exciting place to work – a place where staff and students do have a smile on their faces. We would be delighted to hear from you if you decide to apply for this post. Please complete an application form and statement (no more than two sides of A4 in Calibri 11) explaining:

- How your training and experience to date have prepared for you this post;
- What difference you will make to the students if you are appointed; and
- Why we should appoint you to this post.

This statement should be completed instead of answering question 6 on the application form.

We look forward to hearing from you. **The closing date for applications is 9.00 am on Friday 23rd September 2022.**

We reserve the right to interview suitable candidates prior to that date. Should this prove successful we may close to new applicants earlier so please don't delay in submitting your application.

If you have any queries then please contact Jo Egglenton by phone or email jegglenton@southwolds.notts.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

Halina Angus
Head Teacher



Job Description

1. Title of Post:	Housekeeper
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2. Accountable and Responsible to:	The Site Manager
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3. Grade:	Scale 1
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4. Main Purpose of the Job:	
1.	The purpose of this role is to support the housekeeping team in maintaining the school buildings in a clean and safe condition.

5. Main Responsibilities of the Job	
1.	Cleaning, washing, sweeping, mopping, dusting, polishing and vacuum cleaning of designated areas to the required standard.
2.	Emptying litter bins, etc. and removing waste to designated areas.
3.	Cleaning of toilets and washrooms to the required standard where allocated.
4.	Spray cleaning, scrubbing floors and re-sealing with polish.
4.	Using powered equipment where necessary.
5.	Clearing up after flooding and/or any other emergency cleaning.
6.	To provide quality assurance housekeeping checks.
7.	The weekly flushing of little used water outlets.
8.	Having due regard for the health and safety of allocated areas and reporting any concerns to the Site Manager.
9.	Where required assist with the cleaning of internal and external glass and windows.
10.	Replacing consumable items.
12.	Reporting incidents to the senior leadership team of the school and requesting assistance when necessary.
13.	Setting out furniture, etc, as requested by the Head of Establishment.

6. Main Responsibilities of the Job - Generic

1.	Taking reasonable care for the health and safety of him/herself and of other persons who may be affected by his/her activities and, where appropriate, safeguarding the health and safety of all persons under his/her control and guidance in accordance with the provision of Health and Safety legislation.
2.	Undertaking any other duties which 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.
3.	Fire warden duties including the operation of evacuating vulnerable individuals

Person Specification	Essential	Desirable
	Basic literacy skills	Yes
Experience of working in a school / college environment		Yes
Awareness of child protection and safeguarding policies		Yes
Previous housekeeping or catering experience		Yes
The ability to work alone or as part of a team	Yes	
Food hygiene certificate		Yes
Basic computer skills (Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Email and Internet use)		Yes

The South Wolds Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to support the school in the delivery of this.

All staff must have the right to work in the UK and will be subject to a DBS check prior to taking up appointment.