

# QUEST TRUST TEACHER

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### Marc Doyle Chief Executive Officer

Dear Applicant,

I am absolutely delighted that you are keen to become a member of our growing team.

At Quest, we are passionate about a future where the power of strong relationships, an unwavering commitment to our Christian values, and a focus on lifelong learning that will propel children to achieve well and go on to great things. Our mission, 'Supporting Children from Early Years to Employment,' shows our steadfast dedication to preparing young minds for a lifelong quest of knowledge, character, and service.

We believe that at the heart of our community lies a commitment to our 'why?' – the 1700 children that we serve. As a Multi Academy Trust rooted in Christian values, we are guided by the values of respect, compassion and kindness. These principles underpin everything we do, creating an atmosphere where children and staff flourish in a professional, responsible and loyal way.

Our commitment to excellence in education extends beyond the classroom. Through personalised learning experiences, a diverse curriculum, and robust support systems, we cultivate well-rounded individuals ready to embrace the challenges and opportunities of the future. We are dedicated to nurturing the potential of every child, recognising that each individual is unique and special in the eyes of God. By fostering a culture of acceptance, belonging, and understanding, we ensure that every child can thrive, regardless of their background or circumstances. Through partnerships with the wider community, businesses, and local organisations, we equip our students with the skills and knowledge they need to excel in the ever-evolving landscape of the 21st century job market.

Our strategy is built around six drivers to build a better Trust and our focus on six spotlights will support our mission to build a strong organisation. For the next three years, our major focus will be upon:

- 1. Creating a collective Trust which pulls together our schools to be united in one common voice;
- 2. Creating strong accountability systems so that we know our Trust well;
- 3. Developing a clear and exciting People Strategy, which embraces equality, diversity and inclusion;
- 4. Creating strong partnerships that develop our Trust and allows us to grow;
- 5. Improving outcomes and experiences for children through a commitment to curricular richness, with reading at its heart;
- 6. Creating a culture of investment in our pupils, staff and buildings

Join us on this journey of faith, learning, and transformation, as we fullfil our mission to support children from Early Years to Employment.

## ABOUT THE SCHOOL

UCS Bolton is a University Technical College encompassing Key Stages 3 and 4, along with a Sixth Form provision.

Located within the University of Bolton campus, the school has an aspiration and determination to deliver exceptionally high quality technical and academic education for all students who attend.

The UCS has an outstanding £10 million facility which includes specialist workshops and laboratories in the following curricular areas;

Engineering Optometry Clinical Dentistry Pharmaceutical Consulting Medical Simulation Robotics Electronics 3D Printing

To accommodate growing student numbers, a new KS3 extension is at the advanced planning stage and is scheduled to open in January 2025.

Sadly, in November 2022 the school was inspected by Ofsted and was deemed inadequate in all areas.

An Interim Advisory Board was appointed and with a new approach and the appointment of a new experienced CEO, we are entering a phase of swift change to establish the school as good once again

In addition, recentintensive engagement with the staff, student and parent bodies shows they are all supportive of the schooland its much needed improvement journey.

We now require a new permanent Principal for the school, to lead UCS staff and students on a journey with a clear vision and passion to ensure UCS delivers an outstanding technical education for the community it serves.

We are proud to be sponsored by the University of Bolton and the Baker Dearing Educational Trust and supported by our trusted industry and health sector partners.



## **Our Vision**

Our vision is to ensure that all our children and young people are prepared to learn for life by equipping them with the skills, experiences, and a high-quality education, empowering and motivating them to achieve their full potential now and in the future.

Our mission, **'Supporting Children from Early Years to Employment**' reflects a unique Trust serving children from 0 - 19.

Preparing young minds for a lifelong quest to knowledge, character and service.

## **Our Values**

- Professional & Compassionate
- Responsible & Respectful
- Loyal & Kind



ABOUT QUEST

**QUEST** Academy Trust is a successful and vibrant organisation that provides a caring and thoughtful quality of education across our family of schools within the Northwest region. Established in 2014, we have 4 Good primary schools, nursery settings with before and after school club provisions and the University Collegiate School, Bolton comprising of secondary and sixth form education.

#### **About Our Schools**

QUEST Academy Trust educates over 1700 children and young people across its five schools and nursery provisions within the Northwest. Each of our schools are recognised individually – each have their own legacy and history focused upon the educational needs of its children and community.

#### **Schools within the Trust**

- St Peter's CE Primary School, Hindley
- Hindley Green Community Primary School
- St John's CE Primary School, Hindley Green
- St John's CE Primary School, Abram
- University Collegiate School (UCS), Bolton
- Play Pals Childcare Limited

Having originally established in 2014, the Trust Board are now looking to expand the number of schools within the Trust. We are currently comprised of one medium sized secondary school in Bolton and four Primaries in Wigan. We also have four Nursery provisions associated with the Trust. The Trust comprises 1700 pupils and 270 staff.

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We believe that schools should have their own unique identity so they can serve their local community. We have a strong belief in the power of collaboration with other schools and Trust is key to strengthening the quality of education for the students we serve.



A core principle at QUEST Trust is Respectful Relationships where acting with care, integrity, and fairness is demonstrated within all our schools and the Central Team. We value each member of our professional community and value our health and wellbeing. Our Staff Charter sets a standard which we all seek to follow and an environment:

- based on trust and shared values
- · respect and positive relationships
- · where staff health, safety and wellbeing are incorporated into day to day practices
- · where personal and professional development is encouraged
- · where support is available when needed

Teaching and learning are at the core of all our work. As a Trust, we currently employ over 250 staff across all our sites and provides educational and operational support through our dedicated Central Team.

### **Central Services**

We ensure that our schools receive continuous consistent operational support through our centralised service teams. The Central MAT Team includes Education, HR, Finance, Estates, IT and Catering. This multi-functional, dedicated and continually developing team works tirelessly to support the efficient and effective running of our schools, enabling staff at school level to focus on delivering exceptional education to all children and young people.





Trustees are totally committed to its employees in terms of well-being and opportunities for professional development and career progression, as well as opportunities to work across the Trust. They ensure that they experience both job satisfaction and high levels of well-being. There is a whole range of HR policies to support employee well-being and a range of staff benefits:

#### Pension

Generous Pension Schemes, including Teachers' Pensions and Local Government Pension Scheme. Employees automatically opted in to relevant scheme upon appointment.

#### **Family Friendly Policies**

Our Family Friendly Policies include maternity, partner/paternity, adoption and shared parental leave.

#### Life Style Savings

There are hundreds of offers and discounts ready to be used on the Lifestyle Savings section of our staff benefits platform

#### **Cycle to Work Scheme**

Join Cycle2work to make big savings on a new bike and benefit from regular exercise and a greener and cheaper commute. Save at least 32% on the cost of thousands of bikes and accessories.

#### **Employee Assistant Programme**

Our EAP is free and confidential, offering independent help, information and guidance to you and your immediate family, including counselling, musculoskeletal services and online resources, 24 hours a day, seven days a week

**Flu Vaccination** We offer an annual flu vaccination to all staff.

#### **Opportunities to learn and grow**

We are keen to develop our staff and offer extensive CPD opportunities to enhance their careers.

#### **Contractual Status of our Benefits**

Benefits do not form part of the contract of employment and are subject to change at the discretion of the organisation.



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The Trustees at QUEST would like to appoint an Teacher to join our team and have the opportunity to make a difference to the lives of children and young people. The ideal candidate will have the passion and enthusiasm to be part of a committed and supportive team.

As a member of QUEST you can expect:

- A supportive environment allowing you to progress and develop.
- Excellent CPD opportunities.
- Pupils who are enthusiastic and keen to learn in a positive environment.
- The opportunity to work within a team of highly supportive and creative colleagues.
- A Trust dedicated to preparing young minds for life long learning.

The Trust expects:

- Appropriate level of qualification for the post
- Excellent ICT skills and relevant experience and knowledge
- A personal commitment to our Trust values:
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