

REGENCY HIGH SCHOOL

Person Specification: Teaching Assistant – Grade 3

Attributes	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications and Training	 A recognised and relevant professional qualification OR significant experience (minimum 3 yrs) across all essential aspects of the job requirements PLUS Evidence of recent relevant and sustained training (either external or on-site) to enhance his/her current role (i.e. minimum 20 hours) 	 Evidence of training in a care, educational or medical setting Training in Manual Handling Signalong Training (Intermediate) Team Teach trained
Experience	 Significant experience of working with children (Min. 3yrs) in a special school setting Experience of working as part of a team in a special school 	 Experience as a carer working with adults or children Experience as a Play Worker, Play Leader or Childminder
Skills and Abilities	 The ability to work unsupervised in delivering programmes of work Proven commitment to following established routines and procedures Proven ability in benefiting from practical training and developing a range of specialist skills Ability to work supportively and collaboratively with staff and work as part of an effective team Good level of communication and literacy skills, including the proven ability to accurately record work Ability to present and display pupils' work to a good standard Good ICT skills and competencies Ability to confidently & competently contribute to the physical wellbeing and management of the pupils and initiate intimate care routines Ability to support individual and small groups of pupils, and take full responsibility for the class if required 	 Willingness to drive the school Minibus and undertake the appropriate training Additional skills relevant and transferable to an educational / care setting

	 Confidence and competence to lead a group session / activity Ability to contribute to planning to effectively support the curriculum 	
Professional Knowledge and Understanding	 A clear understanding of the holistic nature of education and the pastoral and practical care required for pupils with learning disabilities A proven commitment to multidisciplinary working and the contribution of a team approach A clear understanding of, and good evidence of adhering to, the effective implementation of health and safety procedures An understanding of the concept of confidentiality within a professional setting and evidence of promoting it Specialist knowledge of the needs of pupils with special needs 	An awareness, understanding and commitment to the pursuit of equality and antioppressive practices
Personal Qualities	 Self-motivated and hard working Good interpersonal skills enabling the candidate to develop strong working relationships with colleagues, parents and the wider community A positive approach to discipline and the management of behaviour within prescribed guidelines Ability to address challenges and issues with enthusiasm, sensitivity and a positive approach Ability to support colleagues and contribute to a team approach Commitment to providing inclusive experiences for all the students Ability to be self-reflective and open to professional critical appraisal, with an awareness of the validity of others' perceptions Ability to inspire trust and confidence Ability to remain calm within a busy and pressured environment Ability to demonstrate good judgement, show initiative and make decisions based on maintaining a safe and supportive environment 	 Commitment to extending and enriching provision for pupils within and beyond the school day Supportive of staff development, able to respond sensitively to the impact of change on colleagues

0	Honesty and integrity	
0	A sense of humour	
0	A good level of proven	
	organisational skills and	
	competence	
	Ability to naturally nurture self-	
	esteem and value each individual	
	for their contribution	
0	Willingness to undertake training	