

DEPUTY CURRICULUM AREA LEADER IN BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY & APPLIED SCIENCE - 1 FTE

Thank you for your interest in this post at WQE.

We believe that this is a particularly exciting time to be joining us, offering a real opportunity to make a difference in this thriving and vibrant Sixth Form College. We strive for excellence in all aspects of our work with students; their academic and wider achievements, their learning experiences, the support they receive in their academic progress, their learning environment and their wider experience of College life. The College operates across two closely located campuses, next to the University of Leicester on University Road and a smaller campus at Regent Road.

In this context, we are looking to appoint a well-qualified, self-motivated and enthusiastic Deputy Curriculum Area Leader to join the Biology, Chemistry and Applied Science department. The successful applicant will specialise in the teaching of Biology or Chemistry to A level and BTEC Applied Science.

The capacity to support the Curriculum Area Leader to lead and motivate staff and students, will be essential, as the successful candidate will help us to provide the best possible learning experiences and outcomes for our students.

THE CURRICULUM AREA

Staff

The Biology, Chemistry and Applied Science (BCAS) team currently comprises fifteen highly experienced and dedicated teaching staff and seven laboratory technicians.

Resources

We have eleven labs, two teaching classrooms and four prep rooms and can service the curriculum needs to an exceptionally high standard.

Courses

We deliver AQA A level Biology and Chemistry, AQA GCSE Biology and Chemistry, and Pearson BTEC Applied Science Diploma and will be running the AAQ in Applied Science from September 2025.

For our part we shall make every effort to support our new colleagues in making the best of the professional opportunities offered by this post.

This is a permanent full-time, term-time post commencing 18th August 2025.

The salary will be at a point on the Sixth Form Colleges pay spine which ranges from £32,178 - £49,725 per annum, plus a responsibility allowance commencing at £3,456 and rising annually to £4,691.

We offer an exceptional package of benefits to our staff, which for this post includes:-

- Annual incremental pay increases, linked to performance, within the pay scale range
- Pension - Automatic enrolment into the Teachers' Pension scheme with 28.68% employer contribution or to the Local Government Pension Scheme for support staff (if applicable), one of the most competitive on the market with an employer contribution of above 20% in most cases
- Staff well-being programme
- Cycle to Work Scheme
- Annual flu vaccination
- Continual Professional Development
- Eyecare voucher scheme
- On-site parking

We have an active and enthusiastic staff wellbeing group who meet regularly and are committed to adding value to life at work wherever possible, as well as ensuring a strong sense of community, wider opportunities and mutual support exist in our workplace.

APPLICATIONS

Please do not submit a separate CV. Only information on the application form will be used in the selection process.

Completed applications must be returned by **10pm on Wednesday 30th April 2025**

Interviews will be held on **Monday 12th May 2025**. Full details will be emailed out to shortlisted candidates.

Please return all completed application documentation via e-mail only to vacancies@wqe.ac.uk

Finally, I would like to thank you again for the time taken to consider joining our team here at WQE and in making an application if you decide this is the right step for you.



Paul Wilson
Principal