



**Castle View
School**

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Job application Pack Attendance Ambassador



ZENITH
MULTI ACADEMY
TRUST

The Vacancy



Attendance Ambassador
Scale 1-2, Point 2-3
15 hours per week, Monday-Friday 8.30am to 11.30am
Term time only
Actual salary £6,007 to £6,249
Permanent position

Do you want to make a real difference to the life changes of students and the communities we serve? Do you have the potential to achieve the best possible outcome and highest level of wellbeing for all students? If so we are looking to appoint two Attendance Ambassadors to join our forward-thinking team.

We are looking to appoint two enthusiastic candidates who will enjoy working in a school that values and delivers excellent professional development. The successful candidate will be capable of inspiring students through their involvement with attendance and have a firm belief in the potential of all students.

We are looking for two candidates to assist with the administration of Safeguarding & Pastoral Support needs at Castle View School. Our ideal candidate will:

- Encourage and enable the school attendance (or alternative education provision) of all children of school age
- Promote the welfare, appropriate development and protection of children and young people
- Co-operate in the multi-agency/disciplinary network of support for children and young people to eliminate abuse and exploitation
- Assist in the development and, where necessary, maintenance of effective home-school partnerships

This is an exciting opportunity to join a team who truly aim to make a difference, not only to student life chances and successes, but also developing young people who contribute to society with kindness and confidence.

Please see Job Description/Person Specification for further details.

Applications

To apply for the role please download the application form from the vacancy page on <https://www.zenithmultiacademytrust.co.uk/vacancies/>, completed applications should be submitted to recruitment@zmat.co.uk. CV's will not be accepted without a completed application form.

You must complete the application form fully and give details of all employment, training and gaps in employment since leaving secondary school to the present day. Any additional information, which you wish to bring to the notice of the selection panel should be included in your letter of application (supporting statement). Please ensure you say why and how you meet the criteria from the person specification in your letter of application. Full job description and person specification can be found at the end of this pack.

Closing Date: 20th January 2022

Interview Date: To be confirmed

If you have any queries, wish to discuss the role informally or undertake a visit to the Trust, please do not hesitate to contact us via email recruitment@zmat.co.uk or telephone 01702 426707.

We look forward to receiving your application. You will be notified of your application status within two weeks of the vacancy closing date.

Safeguarding Children & Young People

The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All staff and volunteers are therefore expected to behave in such a way that supports this commitment. Appointment to this post will be subject to the following satisfactory pre-employment checks:

- Health
- Identity
- Relevant work qualifications
- Right to work in the UK
- Barred List Check (previously List 99)
- Disclosure & Barring Service Check (for all staff and volunteers)
- References
- Childcare Disqualification Declaration Check (relevant Primary School posts only)

Welcome from the CEO



It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to our Trust, and I very much hope this job application pack you gives you a sense of what it is like working in our Trust, including our vision and values.

We are a small, locally-based Trust in South East Essex, currently comprising one primary school and three secondary schools: Laindon Park Primary School and Nursery, The James Hornsby School in Basildon, Castle View School in Canvey Island, and The King John School in Benfleet.

We are intentionally a small local Trust and very much see our role as central to the communities we serve.

As a member of staff within the Trust, you become part of a dynamic network of staff working to achieve a shared vision for all of our children. You become a valued member of a small group of schools, able to shape the education of future generations. In doing so, we hope that you feel really well supported in your career, and that your well-being is always considered. As a member of our Trust, you engage in a professional learning journey which develops you as a practitioner, and allows you to use your talents to transform lives and make a genuine difference.

Our Core Purpose

To enhance the life chances of every child and drive social mobility.

Mission Statement

A quality education and experience for all.

Values

Dignity	Collaboration	Positivity	Aspiration
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Vision

Zenith Trust will ensure excellence across the pillars of school improvement, governance, and business operations, harnessing the transformative power of collaboration so that all students attend truly outstanding schools.

Regardless of background or need, all students will achieve highly and have high levels of well-being, because they are taught and supported by the very best staff, who are well-trained and supported, buy into Zenith’s vision, and are committed to providing a quality education for all. School leaders act ethically, inclusively, and always with the child’s best interests at heart. Our students will be aspirational for themselves, enjoying their time at school, and flourishing as individuals within a safe, secure and nurturing environment.

All Zenith schools value students’ social, moral, cultural, and spiritual development, building exceptional character so that students are kind, resilient, and inspired to be life-long learners. By working closely with the families and local communities we serve, and listening to students’ voices, students will be well-prepared for life in a modern, tolerant Britain. They will secure outstanding academic outcomes and high quality destinations, always well-prepared for their next steps. As adults, they will lead happy, purposeful, and rewarding lives, and make a positive contribution to the world.

Andy Hodgkinson
Chief Executive Officer

Why work for Zenith Multi Academy Trust?

Thank you for considering Zenith Multi Academy Trust as your potential new employer.

If you share our commitment to securing transformational change and sustainable school improvement, and would like to be part of our vision to provide excellence in education, we would like to hear from you.

In return we can offer you:

- A friendly Trust which places staff wellbeing and development at the forefront of everything we do
- School settings with excellent facilities
- Access to high quality and bespoke CPD across the Trust
- A supportive and positive Early Careers program run in partnership with University College London and Chafford Hundred Teaching School Hub
- The opportunity to develop your career with and across the Trust Schools
- The Trust are looking to be early adopters of the new NPQ's

Staff Wellbeing

The Trust is committed to providing a safe and healthy working environment for all staff and supports management practices that promote good health and wellbeing of all its employees. The Trust recognises that wellbeing and performance are linked. Improving employees' ability to handle pressure and to balance work and home life will ultimately lead to improved individual and Trust performance, including better outcomes for students.

The Trust has adopted a number of policies to support our commitment to staff wellbeing, including:

- Mental Health and Wellbeing policy which focuses on the Trust's commitment to maintaining the health and wellbeing of staff
- The Health and Safety policy which provides a framework for, and measurement of, safe places to work; and
- The staff Recognition and Reward policy which ensures our staff feel valued for the work they do and recognised for the contribution they make.

The wellbeing and training of our staff are seen as critical in creating the most effective and talented staff team. The high calibre of our staff means that we are constantly striving to improve so that we can provide the outstanding level of education that all our diverse and talented young people deserve.

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

At Zenith Multi Academy Trust, all staff are encouraged to develop their knowledge, skills, understanding, and attitudes to enhance their professional work, regardless of experience. We work towards 'a culture of excellence', where all staff have the opportunity to continue to improve and sharpen their knowledge and practice.

Working for Zenith brings other benefits:

- Free Benenden Healthcare Scheme
 - Access to a GP 24/7 hours a day seven days week for you and your immediate family
 - Access to a Mental Health Helpline 24 hours a day seven days a week
 - Access to a care adviser who can provide advice and information on adult care issues
 - Medical Diagnostics
 - Medical Treatment at one of the hospitals in our treatment network for certain procedures.
 - Physiotherapy
 - Mental Health Counselling Support
 - Financial Assistances to a care adviser who can provide advice and information on adult care issues
- Access to Benenden Healthcare rewards and discounts scheme
 - 46% off digital fitness subscriptions
 - 22% off activity trackers from Fitbit
 - Save up to 11% on the cost of gift cards of E-Gifts
 - Lifestyle shopping vouchers – save 6%
 - Home movies rentals – save up to 40%
- Access to Bike2Work scheme
- On site staff counselling programme
- Eye sight tests
- On-site free medical health checks
- On-site flu jab clinics
- Free access to on-site gym facilities
- Generous Teachers' Pension and Local Government Pensions schemes
- Generous annual leave entitlement for full-time support staff up to 29 days + 8 bank holidays per annum



The Schools of Zenith Multi Academy Trust



**THE
KING JOHN
SCHOOL**

A QUALITY EDUCATION FOR ALL

Daniel Steel, is the Headteacher at The King John School, as a parent of two young children himself, he leads the school through the eyes of a parent, with very high expectations and aspirations for his student. The King John School is a popular, oversubscribed school where students' very high attendance and levels of achievement reflect their commitment and enjoyment of school life. The school is a large, mixed comprehensive with a well-established sixth form, and serves the ever-growing communities of Thundersley and Benfleet, as well as welcoming students from further afield.

To enable their students to be happy and successful learners, they strive to create a caring, supportive and aspirational learning community, with high expectations and opportunities for all. They believe in offering a broad and balanced curriculum to enable students to flourish as individuals, and to achieve future success in whatever they choose to become later in life. This includes a strong emphasis on sport and the Arts. Opportunities for extra-curricular activities are extensive for all to support in developing knowledge, skills and cultural capital beyond the classroom setting. These opportunities include enterprise, creative performing arts, and a wide variety of trips and visits. Added to this their sporting expertise which puts them at the top of the county and national championships in a whole range of sports you will see the school has a lot to offer. They strive to nurture and develop global citizens of the future by celebrating success and valuing aspiration. They are determined every student should maximise their potential.

The recruitment, retention, and training of fully-qualified staff play a key part in their drive to secure strong academic outcomes for all students, and to instil a life-long love of learning. They understand the vitally important role of partnerships between families and school, and value their relationships with all members of the community they serve.

They have a thriving sixth form, which has been significantly extended to provide a wealth of additional state-of-the-art facilities. Students achieve well in a wide range of subjects and over a three year trend, the results are in the top 15% of over 2000 schools with 68% A*, A or B grades at A-level. Students' destinations are very strong, and they progress to Higher Education, including Cambridge and other Russell Group universities, apprenticeships and employment.



Laindon Park is a small school located in a rural unspoilt area. Their building retains a Victorian character with many historical features. The Headteacher of Laindon is Cristina Portoles, who ensures that they are a school where the child is at the heart of everything they do and leads the decisions they make.

As Ofsted said about them "pupils are happy and enjoy school". The school is always aiming to improve, not only the education that they provide to pupils but also the services and goods that they provide to the local community. Their SAT results are consistently good and put them in the top 4% of primary schools in the country.



Castle View School

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Steve Durkin is the Headteacher of Castle View School. The school is a place where students are put first in everything the school does. Their aims are to pursue excellence, to be the best they can be and they achieve this by working together with parents and the wider community to bring out the very best in their young people.

A good education inspires, opens doors and makes a difference to the lives of individuals, their families and the wider community. Therefore, the school takes their responsibilities as educators very seriously, doing all they can to help their students achieve anything and everything they set their minds to. The school also takes great pride in providing a happy and harmonious learning environment – one where every student is known as an individual.

As well as valuing academic success, the school strives for every child to become a well-rounded, caring and confident individual who plays a part in their community, and has the skills and mind-set to contribute positively to our wider society. The Headteacher would warmly welcome you to visit the school and discover what it is that makes Castle View School the right choice for you and your child.



The James Hornsby School

Together we excel

The James Hornsby School is an oversubscribed 'Good' school; as rated by Ofsted, where students are at the heart of all we do. We have a strong family ethos where we believe "Together we excel".

The Headteacher Tammy Nicholls firmly believes that these are our key drivers for success not only for our students, but for our staff as well. We welcome the chance to meet with you and discuss your development opportunities as part of the James Hornsby and Zenith family!

We focus on developing independent and resilient learners by removing barriers to success and providing a safe and happy environment that allows young people to strive.

Our curriculum provides breadth to ignite hope, drive ambition and enhance life chances by providing qualifications that open the doors to opportunity.

We believe our community is outstanding and as such we strive to achieve outstanding learners and leaders at all levels, by providing outstanding curriculums and learning opportunities and promote outstanding attitudes and outcomes from all.

As a school we pride our self on our core values of:

A Family ethos

High Expectations

Desire

Hope and Aspiration

Innovation



The King John School



Laindon Park Primary School



The James Hornsby School



Castle View School

Testimonials

Working at King John for the past six years has provided me with a wide range of fantastic opportunities and wonderful experiences. I was encouraged to attend a middle leaders training programme provided by the trust which gave me the knowledge and confidence to be successful in a promotion to Director of English and media. I was also lucky enough to attend the media department trip to Hollywood with a group of KS4 students and was encouraged to organise my own trip to The Globe theatre for KS3 students.

- Director of Learning, The King John School

Working at the King John School is a privilege. Given the school's reputation I am very proud to be a part of the organisation and enjoy coming to work each day. As a school, King John promotes progression with leaders giving staff their full trust and support in professional development. During my time at King John I have been able to grow and flourish by being exposed to work across the school, within our trust schools also as part of the Benfleet Teaching Schools Alliance. Working at the King John School has certainly progressed my career.

- CPC Director, The King John School

Having worked within Zenith for a number of years I have been afforded so many opportunities to develop. I came to the school as a Head of year and after discussing my drive to be on the leadership team I was given extra responsibilities to ensure the progression was effective and that I was ready to interview for a role. With this in mind I was asked to lead on several faculties and drove the Equality and Diversity within my school. This then led to me being asked to join a school within the MAT to take on the role of associate assistant headteacher. I have now secured a permanent position in this school and couldn't have done it without the opportunities given to me by the Trust.

- Assistant Headteacher, The James Hornsby School

I started working at James Hornsby in January 2012 and began working here as a learning facilitator; almost eight years on and I am now currently the head of mathematics. In this time I have had the opportunity to complete many roles within the school. Working in the behaviour support unit, as an achievement officer and then as a maths instructor, while I was completing my maths degree at university. The leaders within the school identified my skill set and provided me with the support and guidance to move through these positions.

- Maths Teacher – The James Hornsby School

Job Description

Job Title	Attendance Ambassador
Grade	Scale 1-2, Point 2-3
Reports to	Attendance Officer
Responsible for	Improve attendance of students
Liaison with	Teachers, Other Staff, Agencies, Students, and Parents as required
Job Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To encourage and enable the school attendance (or alternative education provision) of all children of school age • To promote the welfare, appropriate development and protection of children and young people • To co-operate in the multi-agency/disciplinary network of support for children and young people to eliminate abuse and exploitation • To assist in the development and, where necessary, maintenance of effective home-school partnerships
Duties	<p>1. Attendance and Education other than at school</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To visit/contact pupils' homes to encourage improved attendance. To assist with "Late on the Gate" duties at schools with school & attendance staff. • To keep professional, accurate and detailed records in accordance with service policy and practice <p>2. Child Protection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To work closely with colleagues from other agencies/disciplines in order to protect children from abuse in accordance with the Local Authority's statutory duties, <p>by: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - being ever alert to the signs and symptoms of abuse; - receiving disclosure of abuse sensitively and professionally; - making appropriate referrals about actual or suspected abuse; - providing reports as required - working with schools to alert and involve in protecting children and young people <p>3. Child Protection and licensing of children in entertainment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To assist in the promotion, investigation and enforcement of legislation relating to child employment, children in entertainment and work experience, as may be necessary <p>4. General case management, support and service delivery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To develop a positive and supportive relationship with pupils, parents, schools, other service units, Social Services, Health and other agencies to meet the needs of individual pupils • To sensitively and professionally challenge attitudes and behaviour in other professionals and champion the rights of service users where necessary

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To promote and explain the work of schools and other educational establishments with pupils, parents and carers <p>The duties above are neither exclusive nor exhaustive and the post holder may be required by the Headteacher to carry out appropriate duties within the context of the job, skills and grade.</p>
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To participate in the performance and development review process, taking personal responsibility for identification of learning, development and training opportunities in discussion with line manager • To comply with individual responsibilities, in accordance with the role, for Health & Safety in the workplace • To ensure that all duties and services provided are in accordance with the School's Equal Opportunities Policy <p>The Governing Body is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share in this commitment.</p>

BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT: ATTENDANCE AMBASSADOR

PERSON SPECIFICATION

General heading	Detail	Examples
Qualifications & Experience	Specific qualifications & experience	Successful experience working with children in an education, health or social care environment Educated to NVQ level 2 or above
	Knowledge of relevant policies and procedures	Basic working knowledge of policies relating to Child Protection Basic working knowledge of legislation relating to child employment
	Literacy	NVQ Level 2 in English or equivalent
	Numeracy	NVQ Level 2 in Maths or equivalent
	Technology	Ability to use ICT communication and administrative systems effectively
Communication	Written	Ability to write reports
	Verbal	Ability to use clear language to communicate information unambiguously Ability to listen effectively
	Languages	Overcome communication barriers with children and adults
	Negotiating	Ability to negotiate effectively with adults and children and to exercise influence De-escalation
Working with children	Behaviour Management	Ability to demonstrate a range of highly effective behaviour management strategies and or strategies for Parents
	SEN	Demonstrate a good understanding and support the differences in children and adults and respond appropriately
	Curriculum	Awareness of the school curriculum KS1-KS4
	Child Development	An understanding of child development and the learning processes
	Health & Well being	Understand and support the importance of physical and emotional wellbeing

Working with others	Working with partners	<p>Ability to make a proactive contribution to the work of the team supporting children, their families and carers</p> <p>Ability to work with parents and carers to improve support for children</p>
	Relationships	Ability to establish rapport and respectful and trusting relationships with children, their families and carers and other adults
	Team work	Ability to make an distinctive contribution to the work of a team
	Information	Contribute to the development and implementation of effective systems to share and safeguard information
Responsibilities	Organisational skills	<p>Good organisational skills</p> <p>Ability to remain calm under pressure</p>
	Line Management	None
	Time Management	<p>Ability to plan and manage own time effectively</p> <p>Ability to meet deadlines</p>
	Creativity	Demonstrate a creative approach to supporting children and an ability to resolve problems independently
General	Equalities	Display a sound understanding of equality issues
	Health & Safety	Good understanding of Health & Safety
	Child Protection/PREVENT	Developed understanding and effective implementation of child protection procedures
	Confidentiality/Data Protection	Understand and comply with procedures and legislation relating to confidentiality
	CPD	<p>Demonstrate a clear commitment to develop and learn in the role</p> <p>Ability to effectively evaluate own performance</p>