

Learning Support Assistant Role Specification

Qu	alifications & Experience	Essential	Desirable
•	GCSE A - C (or equivalent) Maths and English	✓	
•	Good general standard of education		✓
•	NVQ level 2 in learning support or other equivalent or		
	equivalent qualification/experience. Studying for a degree with		\checkmark
	a view to future teacher training		
Skills & Knowledge		Essential	Desirable
•	Successful recent experience working with secondary age children		✓
•	Understanding of child protection procedures		✓
•	Working knowledge of the education system		✓
•	Understand procedures and legislation relating to confidentiality	✓	
•	Understand the importance of physical and emotional wellbeing	✓	
•	Ability to write basic reports	✓	
•	Ability to understand and support children with developmental difficulty or disability	✓	
•	Understanding of and ability to implement the school's behaviour management policy	✓	
•	Ability to support the work of volunteers and other teaching assistants in the classroom	✓	
•	Ability to use clear language to communicate information unambiguously and listen effectively	✓	
•	Ability to communicate effectively with children and their families and carers and other adults and overcome communication barriers with children and adults	√	
•	Good understanding of the school curriculum including knowledge of literacy/numeracy strategies		✓
•	Know when, how and with whom to share information		✓
•	ICT skills to support learning		✓
•	Ability to establish rapport and respectful and trusting relationships with children, their families and carers and other adults	√	
•	Basic understanding of Health & Safety		✓
Personal		Essential	Desirable
•	Ability to resolve routine problems independently	✓	
•	Flexible and adaptable	✓	
•	Remain calm under pressure	✓	
•	Good organisational skills	✓	
•	Ability to use own initiative	√	

•	Ability to work within a team	✓	
•	Reliable and trustworthy	✓	