# **Applicant Pack**

To be read in conjunction with our 'Join our staff' brochure

















## **Job Advert**



Hope Valley College is a comprehensive secondary at the heart of the local community. It is a small, friendly and supportive school and sits within the village of Hope in the Derbyshire Peak District. It joined Chorus in September 2019, when it also welcomed a new Principal. In the recent Teacher Accessed Grades, our young people outperformed any previous cohorts.

Hope Valley College is part of Chorus Education Trust, and as such all appointees may be required to work at any Trust site in the future.

You can view the school website at: www.hopevalley-chorustrust.org

#### **Head of Music**

Salary: M1 to UPS3 (£25,714 - £41,604) TLR2a £2873

Permanent 80% FTE
To start: ASAP

### **About this vacancy**

We are seeking to appoint a creative, passionate and inspirational Head of Music to continue to raise the profile and raise standards in this successful subject. Music is a popular subject in the Key Stage 3 curriculum and the subject recruits strongly at Key Stage 4, with students achieving excellent results.

The successful candidate will be confident in inspiring students in GCSE Music and beyond and will have the enthusiasm and energy to develop and grow extra-curricular provision.

#### Benefits include:

- CPD support from one of the largest Teaching Schools, the South Yorkshire Teaching Hub, throughout your career.
- Opportunities to develop skills and experience as part of a growing, local Trust.

There will be no need to go elsewhere – your career will flourish with us.

## To apply

The full application pack is available from <a href="www.chorustrust.org/vacancies">www.chorustrust.org/vacancies</a> and completed Chorus Trust application forms are to be sent to Lisa Critchlow at: <a href="mailto:recruitment@hopevalley.chorustrust.org">recruitment@hopevalley.chorustrust.org</a>

Please note that CVs and Sheffield City Council/Derbyshire County Council application forms will not be accepted.

Deadline for applications: 11.59pm on Sunday 3 October 2021.

Interviews to be held: week beginning 11 October 2021.

The successful candidate will be required to complete a Disclosure & Barring check in line with the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (ROA) 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 and the Police Act Regulations.



## **Job Description: summary**

Post title:	Head of Music			
Grade:	M1 to UPS3 (£25,714 - £41,604 - TLR2a (£2873)			
Responsible to:	Head of Maths and nominated member of Senior Leadership Team with allocated line management responsibility. Overall to the Head of School.			
Responsible for:	All teaching and support based staff within the subject area as agreed with the Head of School and to assume overall responsibility for the subject.			
Purpose of job:	In addition to the requirements of a class teacher, the post holder will:			
	<ul> <li>Lead the subject/curriculum effectively to ensure 'Outstanding Achievement for All' and the highest standards of personal development and wellbeing are achieved.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>To analyse and be accountable for student progress/results of the subject/curriculum area and to support, hold accountable, develop and lead the curriculum team.</li> </ul>			
	Be a role model of professionalism and good practice.			
	Develop and enhance the teaching practice of others.			
	<ul> <li>Ensure the provision of an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated curriculum for students studying in the subject area.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Lead, manage and deploy teaching/support staff, financial and physical resources within the subject area.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Ensure the consistent application of Chorus Education Trust Policies and Procedures by all staff in the curriculum team.</li> </ul>			
	This post may work across the Trust schools.			
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## **Job Description: duties**

The post holder must at all times carry out his/her responsibilities within the spirit of the School and Trust policies and within the framework of legislation relating to Academies and Education, with particular regard to the statutory responsibilities of the Trust and the Governing Body of the School.

The job description should be read alongside the range of professional duties of teachers as set out the Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document. The post-holder will be expected to undertake duties in line with the professional standards for qualified teachers and uphold the professional code of the Department for Education.

The specific duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to:

## Lead, manage and develop a subject or curriculum area; or to lead and manage pupil development across the curriculum

- To provide strategic leadership for the development and management of the subject throughout the school.
- To identify areas for development and improvement linked to the school improvement plan and national and local initiatives.
- To develop and monitor schemes of work and ensure successful implementation which meets curriculum requirements.
- To have an overview of, and contribute to the planning and delivery of continuous professional development and training related to the teaching of Music.
- To develop strategies for the use of other staff to promote new teaching methods and improve learning throughout the school and monitor effectiveness in raising standards of teaching and learning.
- To monitor and evaluate pupil progress.

## Impact on the educational progress of pupils other than the teacher's assigned classes or groups of pupils

- To ensure the provision of an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated curriculum for pupils.
- To identify clear, appropriate targets for attainment and/or achievement.
- To monitor and evaluate pupil progress and achievement against targets.
- To lead evaluation strategies to contribute to overall school self-evaluation.
- To undertake lesson observations and provide constructive feedback and support as appropriate.
- To implement school quality procedures and to ensure adherence across the school.



### Leading, developing and enhancing the teaching practice of other staff

- To ensure the establishment of common standards of practice and develop the effectiveness of teaching and learning styles.
- To plan and implement strategies to improve teaching where needs are identified.
- To provide induction, support and monitoring for new staff.
- To act as a role model of good practice for other teachers, modelling effective strategies with them.
- To act as a performance management team leader for identified teachers.
- To ensure all staff in school are familiar with the aims and objectives of Music.

### Support for the Trust / School (applies to all roles)

- The above duties are not exhaustive and the post-holder may be required to undertake tasks, roles and responsibilities as may be reasonably assigned to them by the Senior Leadership Group.
- To take responsibility for the implementation of and compliance with policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to an appropriate person.

### **Changes to these duties**

The job description and allocation of particular responsibilities will be kept under review and may be amended via consultation with individuals, the Governing Body or Board of Trustees and/or Senior leadership team as required. Trade Union representation will be welcomed in any such discussions.



## **Person Specification**

Job title: Head of Music

REQUIREMENTS		Desirable	Assessment method A = application I = interview R = reference	
Qualifications				
A relevant degree together with Music PGCE or equivalent teaching qualification	✓		A	
Evidence of commitment to CPD to support areas of the job role	✓		A/I/R	
Detailed knowledge and understanding of the current issues in Music education.	✓		A/I	
Experience				
Proven track record of excellent teaching in Music	✓		A/I/R	
Demonstrable evidence of raising and sustaining attainment through successful leadership		✓	A/I/R	
Use of student performance data to inform classroom teaching	✓		A/I	
Record of success in effective and efficient team management		✓	A / I /R	
Experience of managing resources effectively	✓		A/I/R	
Professional knowledge and understanding				
An enthusiasm for innovation and developing teaching and learning	✓		A/I/R	
An excellent understanding of engagement and how to motivate students	✓		A/I/R	
A sound understanding of modern pedagogy methods within the field of teaching Music			A/I/R	



Professional skills			
A high commitment to learning and achievement	✓	A/I/R	
Ability and confidence to coach and mentor staff and tackle underperformance	✓	A/I/R	
Excellent interpersonal, planning and organisational skills	✓	A/I/R	
The ability to collaborate with other staff	1	A/I/R	
Commitment to safeguarding and promoting the safety and welfare of young people.	<b>✓</b>	A/I/R	
Ability to inspire confidence in and establish excellent relationships with pupils, teacher and parents.	<b>✓</b>	A/I/R	