

SCHOOL STAFF INSTRUCTOR / OUTDOORS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Salary: £25,000 Per Annum

Start date: As soon as possible

Now is an exciting time to join our dedicated staff body. As a member of staff at a fast paced, forward thinking organisation, you will genuinely be changing lives. You will have the opportunity to shape the future of the Academy's extra-curricular programme, while working with an exceptionally talented group of staff. If you can offer an absolute focus on creating an outstanding CCF contingent and outdoors education programme, coupled with an infectious passion for character development, then Westminster Academy would love to hear from you.

We have a deep and genuine commitment to provide an education that is unsurpassed anywhere in the world. At Westminster Academy, we believe that 'Education is Success'. For us, that involves not just providing a rigorous academic education and first-rate pastoral support, but offering our students with an unparalleled range of extra-curricular opportunities. We enable our students to discover genuine interests that extend beyond the classroom and to express themselves by encouraging a broad understanding of the world, a social conscience and a considerate approach to other people. True to the aims of our sponsors, we encourage intellectual curiosity, entrepreneurial spirit and we foster a real sense of communal endeavour. We are an inclusive, positive, stimulating and demanding open-minded community. We are always keen to hear from outstanding staff who share our high expectations and deep moral purpose.

This is an exciting new role for the school, combining two distinct, but interconnected, roles:

School Staff Instructor (3 days a week)

Working with the Contingent Commander (a senior member of staff), you will be responsible for launching our Combined Cadet Force, which will parade for the first time in September 2018 with an RAF detachment. Coming from a military background, you will be responsible for managing the kit stores and armoury, advising the contingent commander on how to develop the cadet force, training both officers and cadets, and completing all returns to the relevant authorities. As our first SSI, you will also have the unique opportunity to be involved in the initial process of setting up the cadet force. This role is expected to take up an average of three days per week (more in the first few weeks)

Outdoors Education Coordinator (2 days a week)

Westminster Academy is a leader in Outdoors Education. We run a thriving DofE programme at Bronze, Silver and Gold, and this year, our Year 7, 8 and 12 cohorts are all completing residential programmes, and our students are going on expeditions to the Canadian Yukon, the Amazon and the Himalayas this summer. Working with organisations like Outward Bound, the Jubilee Sailing Trust, and British Exploring Society, you will be responsible for organising training sessions and expeditions for our students. This role will involve managing a number of school staff who volunteer as DofE group leaders, maintaining our expedition kit stores, and planning and risk assessing a variety of expeditions.

The ideal candidate should be enthusiastic and hard-working. Training will be provided for both roles, though experience with cadet forces and/or holding outdoor education qualifications will be an advantage. You should have a passion that inspires our students, and a meticulous approach to managing risks and logistics. Flexibility is a must, as the role will involve spending time on expeditions/camps (with days off in lieu of this). You must believe in the importance of developing students' character and resilience.

What we offer:

- An exciting opportunity for a full time cadet / outdoor education role in London
- an excellent programme of continuing professional development
- the opportunity to develop personally and professionally
- the chance to shape the future of outdoor and character education
- a real commitment to staff well being including offering access to the local gym, Perkbox, and weekly fitness sessions

For further details and an application form, please visit: www.westminsteracademy.org.uk

Email: recruitment@westminsteracademy.org.uk

We are committed to safeguarding children and promoting their welfare. We expect all staff to share this commitment. The post is subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check.

Closing Date: 1 June 2018

Interview Date: w/c 11 June 2018