

# Food and Nutrition Technician

**Recruitment Pack February 2023** 

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# **About Transforming Lives Educational Trust**

### **Our History**

The Transforming Lives Educational Trust (TLET) was established in October 2016 and is a Charitable Trust and Company Limited by Guarantee. TLET grew out of a partnership between a high performing secondary school and primary school in Rugby, Warwickshire. The desire to work together arose from continuing population growth in the local community, our belief that we can shape and influence practice wider than our current schools, and the desire to provide the community with more high-quality school places. The Trust is set to grow over the coming years and currently comprises of two secondary-phase academies, Ashlawn School and Houlton School, and two primary-phase academies, Henry Hinde Infant School and Henry Hinde Junior School. Currently we are responsible for approximately 2400 children and young people and, along with the Trust's Central team, 350 employees and £13m of public money annually.

### **Our Vision**

We believe in the transformative power of learning and its singular ability to broaden horizons, deepen perspectives and extend potential.

Our family of academies will be recognised as the most forward-thinking and innovative organisations within the communities they serve, providing a springboard for our children, young people and staff so that they become exemplary citizens who strive to stretch their potential and become transformers in a diverse and ever-changing world.

### **Our Strapline**

Transforming tomorrow, today.

### **Our Standards**

### One team, one goal

• We are totally united and committed to improve life chances.

### Best daily deal, everyday

• We have the highest expectations for all, in all, from all, always.

### No excuses

• We see it, own it, sort it.

### **Community First**

• If it's important to you, it's important to us – we care.

### **Our Values**

 ${f T}$ end the team – listening to, sharing with, and learning from others so that we nurture the potential of all (loyalty)

Reach for excellence – only comparing ourselves to the best – seeking to match and then surpass it (excellence)

 ${f U}$ tilise innovation – seeking forefront thinking and creativity, and leading the change (courage)

Seize success – holding onto our vision and building on our achievements (tenacity)

Thank as you go - recognising the contribution of others to the Trust's successes (kindness)

### **Our Academies**









### **Our Team**

Without exception, everyone is deeply committed to the very highest outcomes, regardless of their role, recognising the strength of collective contribution and effort.

### Leaders

Academy leaders, driven by exceptional Principals, focus relentlessly on pupils and their outcomes, with everything else as peripheral. They are restless in their leadership, seeking ever better ways to improve in a culture of success. They do what it takes to make the difference.

Central team leaders, motivated by an inspiring Executive, lead high performing teams who add value to our academies by providing the environment in which others thrive. They unburden academy leaders, enabling them to keep the main thing, the main thing – pupil outcomes.

Governance, for our academies and for the Trust, is robust, rigorous and proportionate, providing professional support and challenge so that leaders strive to the limit of what is possible with a sharp focus on outcomes and excellence.

Our leaders never allow the urgent to distract them from the important, navigating a clear route to long-term success.

### **Teachers**

Our teachers are highly effective in the classroom, both in the uncompromising quality of their teaching and in the perceptive and individualised attention they give to pupils. They are passionate about the subjects they teach and dedicated to the children in their care. Our teachers are carefully recruited and expertly supported to make sure they, like our pupils, are always at the top of their game.

### **Support Staff**

Our support staff are the backbone of our organisation and are specialists in their areas of responsibility. Like our teachers, they are well-trained and highly effective at ensuring the smooth operation of our Trust day in, day out.

### **Our Aims**

- 1. Our children achieve more, and make better progress, by attending a TLET academy than would otherwise be expected.
- 2. Others hold our academies, and the Trust, in the highest regard.
- 3. Our accommodation and premises are safe, well maintained and with facilities that are constantly improving.
- 4. Infrastructure and management systems are effective and cohesive, underpinned by sound financial management.
- 5. Our Trust operates at least seven academies, with due regard to growing responsibly, sustainably and with a mix of primary and secondary phased academies.
- 6. The welfare of our children and staff is promoted effectively in a safe environment where they are protected from harm.

# Why Work for TLET?

At TLET, we want to be an employer of choice for our employees.

We believe that the children and young people in our care deserve the very best staff who are highly effective at what they do. We want our employees to take great pride and satisfaction in their work. This means that one of our fundamental priorities is to ensure that all of our employees feel valued, knowing that the role they fulfil is vital to transforming the life chances of others. Put simply, we are loyal to our employees and receive their loyalty in return.

### **Comprehensive Induction**

When joining TLET, you will have access to a detailed induction programme which is designed to ensure you feel confident in your new role from your first day with us. This is led by our HR team in partnership with your line manager and focuses on our culture, safeguarding, site orientation, key people and TLET expectations, among other things. We know the importance of a great start for our children and young people when they join one of our academies, so we place just as much importance on the way new employees transition into TLET.

### **Tailored Training**

We believe in giving our children and young people the best daily deal. To this end, all of our employees have access to individualised performance development programmes and tailored training to ensure we are all restless in our pursuit of excellence. We work with respected training providers such as ECM Consultants, Challenge Partners and our own TLET Education Improvement Service, harnessing a blended training platform of virtual and face-to-face sessions.

### **Tending the Team**

At TLET, we recognize that working in schools is extremely rewarding, but we haven't lost sight of the fact that it is often challenging and burdensome. All our employees have access to our TLET wellbeing offer to promote your mental and emotional wellness. This centres around a suite of staff provision such as bitesize online wellbeing training to help maintain work-life balance, free access to professional counselling and even shopping vouchers! In short, we take care to care.

### **TLET Central Team**

As an employee at TLET, you will benefit from our extensive and expert Central Team who are based in Rugby making them highly accessible and responsive. The Central Team deliver leadership, finance, estates, business operations, SEND, HR and IT expertise to our academies with the intention of making it easier for others to do their job. Our Central Team work in partnership with our academy leaders to ensure that support is tailored to the needs of each academy.

Furthermore, we follow the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document, the National Joint Council guidelines and recognize continuity of service for all employees joining TLET to ensure that our employees are looked after well compared with others in different settings.

### About the Role

Thank you for your interest in the position of Food and Nutrition Technician at Ashlawn School.

This pack has been designed to help you should you choose to submit an application to us, which we sincerely

hope you do. The pack aims to answer all of your initial questions, but if not, please do not hesitate to contact us. It is extremely important to us that you feel comfortable and confident to proceed with your application as we aim to make the very best appointment possible.

### What next?

We want to hear from you if you are as excited as we are about this fresh opportunity within our successful and growing Trust. In return, we can offer the right candidate the chance to work within our innovative and forward-thinking Trust as well as offering excellent professional development and progression.

We encourage you to consider the information in this pack carefully and use it to picture yourself within the role at Ashlawn School. Should you wish to discuss any element of the pack in more detail, please don't hesitate to contact us. We look forward to receiving your application.

# **How to Visit & Apply**

Please read the information in this pack. If you are interested in this job opportunity, please apply by downloading the application form from our website <a href="website">website</a> (www.tlet.org.uk). Completed application forms should be emailed to <a href="mailto:careers@tlet.org.uk">careers@tlet.org.uk</a> or posted to:

HR Department (Careers) c/o Houlton School Signal Drive Houlton Rugby Warwickshire CV23 1ED

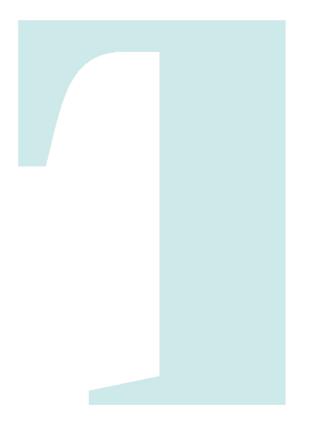
If you have any questions about the role or would like to visit Transforming Lives Educational Trust or one of our Academies, please don't hesitate to contact us by emailing <a href="mailto:careers@tlet.org.uk">careers@tlet.org.uk</a> or selecting option 1 on our telephone menu – 01788 593900.

If you decide to apply you should include a supporting statement with your application form (either in the application or as a covering letter) on no more than two sides of A4, giving your reasons for applying for the post, addressing information you have read in the pack and particularly the person specification, and outline any relevant experience and personal qualities you would bring to the Trust.

Please do not send a general letter; we are really looking for someone who is prepared to respond to us as an individual Trust. You can be sure that we will take time and care in reading your letter; we appreciate how much time and energy goes into writing it.

\*Timeline may be subject to change

Recruitment Timeline*				
W/C 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Position advertised			
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023	Closing date for applications (9am)			
TBC	Final Shortlisting and contact with candidates			
	References will be requested at this stage			
TBC	Final Panel Process			



# **Job Description**

Location:	Ashlawn School	
Job Title:	Food and Nutrition Technician	
Salary:	NJC05 (£21,575.00 FTE) Actual Salary: £13,395.00	
Contract:	Permanent	
Start date:	As soon as possible	
Responsible to:	Head of Food & Nutrition	

### MAIN ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Works under direction and instruction, liaising closely with teaching and support staff in ensuring safe practices are always observed, to:

- Provide for general care of Food classrooms
- Maintain and provide for safe storage of stock (materials and equipment)
- Assist teaching staff with practical lessons
- Provide general clerical support and undertake basic record keeping as required

### General duties:

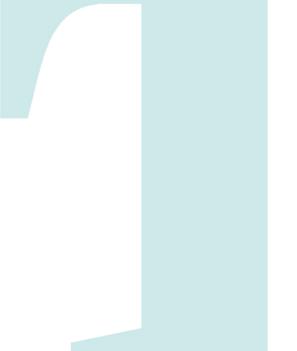
- Maintain a clean and orderly working environment.
- Prepare materials/resources as instructed for lessons, activities, demonstrations, and exams.
- Store resources/materials/equipment safely.
- Maintain storerooms in a clean and tidy manner.
- Maintain and check stock/equipment is in good order and safe to use, organising repairs or servicing as necessary.
- Monitor stock levels, ensuring appropriate supplies are available.
- Annual estimate of materials/equipment required and arrange for order to be placed.
- Acquire additional materials/food/consumables as required.
- Clean machinery and equipment (e.g. cookers, fridges, sinks etc).
- Assist teaching staff with student supervision during practical work.
- Occasional clerical duties e.g., word processing, photocopying.
- Collect and record monies received (e.g. for cost of materials).
- Maintain basic records.
- Assist with supervision of pupils out of the classroom, e.g., school trips, open evening.
- Set up, check, and issue equipment in practical classes.

- Prepare for and clear away after practical classes including reclamation of parts and materials as necessary, clearing and checking of equipment.
- Assist teaching staff as directed in preparatory work for exams.
- To set up and maintain resources/displays/teaching aids.
- To provide for the general care and maintenance of apparatus, tools and equipment, etc. and check facilities and report faults as necessary.
- To maintain preparation of classrooms and other areas in clean, tidy and original condition.
- To undertake store keeping duties including receipts and issue of materials and equipment, assisting in the completion of associated clerical work, e.g., preparation of orders, clearance of invoices, maintaining records of expenditure etc.
- Maintain and dispose of solutions (and waste) in accordance with established guidelines
- Preparation of demonstration pieces and teaching aids
- Supervision of personal safety, equipment, and clothing
- Maintenance of first aid kit
- Support teaching staff in delivery of ICT related learning
- To undertake any other duties as appropriate to the nature of the appointment and the needs of the department

This job description sets out the duties and responsibilities of the post at the time it was drawn up.

Such duties and responsibilities may vary from time to time without changing the general character of the duties or the level of responsibility entailed. Such variations are a common occurrence and cannot themselves justify a reconsideration of the grading of the post.

The post holder will have a shared responsibility for the safeguarding of all children and young people. The post holder has an implicit duty to promote the welfare of all children and young people.



# **Person Specification**

Job Title:	Food & Nutrition Technician
Reports to:	Head of Food & Nutrition

The post holder will have a shared responsibility for the safeguarding of all children and young people. The post holder has an implicit duty to promote the welfare of all staff, children and young people and to be committed to promoting diversity and inclusion.

SPECIFICATION	ESSENTIAL		DESIRABLE
Qualifications/ Training	Maths & English GCSE 4 (C) or above.		Training in child protection and safeguarding (this will be provided)
Experience	Able to carry out administrative tasks and have some experience in administrative work  Be aware of and understand the statutory regulation, e.g. HASAW and COSHH guidelines		Experience of working in an education setting
Knowledge/Skills (Ability to)	Able to carry out procedures, routines and follow instructions.  Able to maintain records		Working knowledge of relevant policies / procedures / codes of practice / legislation, including Data Protection and Child Protection
	Can take initiative where ne	cessary	A good working knowledge of computer software packages including Microsoft Word, Excel and Outlook
Personal Qualities	Calm Confident		
	Flexible		
	Reliable		
	Professional and confident		

All posts within TLET are subject to pre-employment and vetting checks, including reference checking and enhanced disclosures checks with the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)