



**South Craven School**



# Candidate Application Pack

Teacher of Design and Technology



# A Message from the Headteacher

I am delighted to welcome you to South Craven School, a large, thriving and successful comprehensive school situated in Cross Hills.

Learning is placed firmly at the heart of the South Craven School community. Our main priority is to ensure our students have the best opportunities for success and the highest possible aspirations for the future. We are proud of our excellent reputation in our local community and aspire to provide the highest quality of education for all of our students.

We recognise our responsibility to provide young people with the skills and qualities they need to respond to the challenges of a fast-changing world. We do this by promoting our South Craven Learner principles of Courage, Enquiry and Growth and focusing on preparing our students for life as active and productive citizens. We value each and every one of our students and aspire for them to achieve academically, socially and personally. Our formula for success is built on partnership between home and school, teacher and student, school and community. We are also part of the Red Kite Teaching School Alliance, where we work alongside a number of schools.

I hope you will want to visit us and meet the people that make South Craven a success: our students, staff and trustees. We welcome your interest and invite you to come and see the school for yourselves.

**Martyn Hill**  
Headteacher



# A Message from the Chief Executive Officer

I am both proud and excited to have been given the opportunity to lead the Trust in this next stage of its development, and to work with other school and trust leaders locally to ensure the very best education for young people in Craven, Pendle and across the wider region.

Apex Collaborative Trust is a vibrant, cross phase multi-academy trust formed by the merger of the Pennine Trust and South Craven Academy Trust.

Our trust consists of two secondary schools and three primary schools. South Craven School also has a large Sixth Form.

We are delighted that Pendle Vale College, in Nelson, will be an associate member of the Trust and has indicated an intention to join fully within the next 12 months.

**John Tarbox**

Chief Executive Officer



# Apex Collaborative Trust

Apex Collaborative Trust is a values-led organisation. Our core values of Ambition, Collaboration and Trust are fundamental to our approach and shape our culture. We believe establishing a strong culture is the most important ingredient for our success, so that we create an ideal environment for learning where all members of our trust community can flourish. We are also committed to providing fantastic opportunities for our young people, so that they can fulfil their aspirations now and in the future.

Our Trust and schools must be rooted in our community. Many local families have an association with our schools across many years, and even generations. Deep relationships help us to develop knowledge and understanding of the community and to form effective partnerships with other institutions. These partnerships support holistic development of young people.

## Staff benefits



Bike2work  
scheme



CPD  
opportunities



Employee  
assistance  
programme



Local  
discounts



Occupational  
health  
support



## Ambition

### Inspiring excellence and growth

- We set high expectations for our students, staff, and leadership.
- We challenge the status quo, encouraging innovation and creativity in education.
- We believe in potential empowering individuals to reach new heights in their learning and careers.
- We celebrate success, recognising achievements at every level.

**In Action:** We provide cutting-edge professional development, encourage students to dream bigger, and support schools in raising academic and personal aspirations.

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## Collaboration

### Stronger together

- We share best practices, creating a network where knowledge flows freely.
- We support and challenge each other, working together to find solutions.
- We listen and respect diverse perspectives, ensuring every voice matters.
- We value teamwork, building relationships that foster trust and openness.

**In Action:** Schools under the trust work as partners, not competitors, pooling resources and expertise to deliver the best education possible.

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## Trust

### Integrity, transparency and accountability

- We do what we say we will do, building confidence in our leadership.
- We communicate openly and honestly, ensuring transparency in decision-making.
- We hold ourselves accountable, measuring success by our impact.
- We foster a culture of psychological safety, where staff and students can thrive without fear of failure.

**In Action:** We ensure clear communication with parents, staff, and students, always acting with honesty, fairness, and responsibility.

# Safeguarding Statement

At Apex Collaborative Trust, the welfare of children is paramount and all schools are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. We expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

All staff will be expected to take responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people. Staff are responsible for their own actions and behaviour and should avoid any conduct which would lead any reasonable person to question their motivation and intentions. Staff should work, and be seen to work, in an open and transparent way.

Attitudes towards promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people will be scrutinised during the selection process for the post you have applied for. If you are appointed to this post, information in relation to safeguarding and protecting children and young people will be provided at induction. This practical guidance for safe working practice will provide information about which behaviour constitute safe practice and which behaviours should be avoided.

All post holders are subject to an enhanced DBC check. Our policy and practice are in line with the current Department for Education's *Keeping Children Safe in Education* statutory guidance.



# Role Specification

<b>Post:</b>	Teacher of Design and Technology
<b>Hours:</b>	Permanent, Full Time or Part Time
<b>Closing Date:</b>	Noon on Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2026
<b>Interviews:</b>	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026
<b>Start Date:</b>	September 2026

An exciting opportunity has arisen within the Design and Technology Faculty for an inspiring, enthusiastic and talented teacher to join the team as a Teacher of Design and Technology.

The department offers two very popular programmes: Design and Technology GCSE and A Level and Engineering at Level 2 and Level 3.

The Faculty is very proud of its extensive workshop and machining facilities which have recently been refitted and updated. These are used to develop a diverse range of skills for our students. Staff development and continuous curriculum development is at the heart of the Faculty.

The role offers excellent opportunities for either an ECT or an experienced teacher.

## Main Duties and Responsibilities

- Deliver engaging Design and Technology and Engineering lessons up to GCSE Level 2 (an ability to deliver up to A Level/Level 3 would be an advantage).
- Use ICT to enhance the teaching of Design and Technology with experience using CAD/CAM and CNC machinery.
- Make a valuable contribution to planning, tracking and assessment.
- Be involved in the faculty's broad and varied extra-curricular program.
- Inspire student engagement and develop passion for the subject.

The successful candidate should be able to demonstrate:

- Excellent subject knowledge and pedagogy.
- The ability to inspire success within Design and Technology.
- Strong practical and design skills.
- Ability to forge strong working relationships, working well as part of a successful Design and Technology team.
- Successfully plan and deliver well-resourced design and technology lessons.
- Active engagement with CPD.
- A willingness to extend our current extra-curricular programme.

# How to Apply

If you wish to know more about this vacancy, please contact Martyn Hill (Headteacher) via Jess Robinson (Headteacher's PA).

Jess Robinson

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To apply for this vacancy, please submit your application via MyNewTerm: [mynewterm.com](https://mynewterm.com).

The closing date for applications is noon on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2026.

This post is subject to satisfactory reference and enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service criminal records check for work with children.

An online search may be undertaken for shortlisted candidates as part of the recruitment process on information available in the public domain.

Candidates should disclose anything that may be relevant in line with Keeping Children Safe in Education.



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