

Secondary

Academy
Transformation
Trust

Science Technician

Application Pack

Pool Hayes Academy
Willenhall

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01. Welcome from the CEO

Welcome from the Chief Executive

Thank you for your interest in joining Academy Transformation Trust. Choosing the right next step in your career is an important decision, and I am delighted that you are considering doing so with us.

At ATT we are driven by a simple but profound belief: every child can and should become capable, competent, and confident. Our purpose is to transform lives through education, and our strategy, ATT2030, sets out how we will achieve this for every pupil, every colleague, and every community we serve.

We know that people are at the heart of everything we do. Our trust thrives because of the talent, dedication, and values of our colleagues. If you choose to join us, you will become part of a high-trust, high-accountability organisation where principals are empowered to lead, colleagues are supported to grow, and everyone is united in the moral purpose of education.

We are ambitious for our pupils and ambitious for our people. Across the trust you will find a culture of collaboration, professional excellence, and deep care for one another. We celebrate hard work, integrity, and teamwork, and we create opportunities for everyone to flourish.

I wish you every success with your application. Whether or not you go on to join us, I hope you will recognise that ATT is a community committed to excellence, to belonging and becoming, and to ensuring that all of us – pupils and adults alike – leave more capable, more competent, and more confident than when we arrived.

With best wishes,



Mark McCourt
Chief Executive Officer



02. About Academy Transformation Trust

About Academy Transformation Trust

At Academy Transformation Trust (ATT), our ambition is that every person who passes through our schools and colleges becomes an educated person – able to take a rightful place in the community of educated people and to join what Robert Maynard Hutchins called “the Great Conversation.” An ATT education stresses history, the scientific mode of thinking, the disciplined use of language, a wide-ranging knowledge of the arts and religion, and the continuity of human enterprise. We aspire for everyone, regardless of their starting point, to leave us capable, competent, and confident.

Our Values

ATT2030 sets a values-driven culture that is explicit about how we work and lead:

- **Belonging & Becoming:** we meet each child where they are and refuse to leave them there – giving them both roots and wings.
- **Integrity & Excellence:** we act ethically, celebrate excellence, and pursue high standards in all that we do.
- **High Trust, High Accountability:** decision-making sits close to pupils and communities; principals are trusted as strategic leaders; the central team acts as expert partner; accountability is professional, dialogic, and focused on learning and improvement.

Our Three Goals

Everything in ATT2030 is organised around three interlinked goals that describe the kind of people – pupils and adults – we are forming:

- **Capable:** equipped with the knowledge, skills, and emotional readiness to perform to a high standard, adapt to change, and contribute meaningfully.
- **Competent:** possessing the knowledge, habits, and judgement to get things done – well, reliably, and independently – handling setbacks and making steady progress.
- **Confident:** feeling safe, happy, and known – secure enough to take risks, speak up, and grow with purpose and integrity.



Our Nine Aims (by 2030)

These goals translate into nine aims that define success for ATT by 2030:

Capable

1. Professional Excellence – skilled professionals delivering consistently high standards.
2. Fluent Learners and Thinkers – confident, curious learners fluent in communication and technology.
3. Multiple Pathways to Success – diverse routes that recognise varied talents and passions.

Competent

4. Purposeful, Knowledge-Rich Learning – rigorous, meaningful learning that enriches lives.
5. Unwavering Focus – purposeful use of time and energy on what matters most.
6. Strength Through Challenge – resilience built by tackling challenge and learning from it.

Confident

7. Valued and Empowered Individuals – everyone known, valued, and supported to be their best.
8. Leading with Integrity, Celebrating Excellence – values-led leadership and cultures that recognise excellence.
9. Moments That Shape Us – deliberate rites of passage and significant experiences that foster growth and self-discovery.

Our Approach to Working Together

We are building a high-trust, high-accountability organisation. Principals are empowered as strategic leaders of their academies; the central team provides expert challenge, support, tools, and evidence; accountability is reframed as professional dialogue aimed at continuous improvement, not blame. This is how we ensure that every child leaves us capable, competent, and confident.



03. Academy Information



Pool Hayes Academy

Pool Hayes Academy is part of the Academy Transformation Trust family of academies.

Based in Willenhall, in the West Midlands, Pool Hayes Academy is an academy for 11-18 year old students that retains strong links within our local community and beyond.

The academy draws its pupils largely from the Willenhall area. We have experienced substantial growth in recent years and the academy is now a provider of choice in the area and is over-subscribed.

Academy Vision & Values

At Pool Hayes Academy we have a very clear and ambitious vision for our academy. We believe in **“Unlocking your Potential – Empowering through Success”**. Our vision guides our decision and actions across Pool Hayes Academy and means that any child regardless of circumstance can fulfil their potential at our academy. Furthermore, we believe that educational success leads to empowerment for our young people and the freedom to make more choices over their future.

Underpinning our vision are our values. These values clearly set out the behaviours and qualities we expect and instil in our young people. They are:

Aspiration: We work hard consistently to fulfil our ambitions and achieve our potential.

Respect: We show pride in celebrating diversity, keeping each other safe and accepting everyone in our community.

Excellence: We have high expectations of our conduct and lead by example at all times.

Resilience: We embrace challenge, take risks and grow confidently from our mistakes.

Outcomes and Ofsted

In 2022 Pool Hayes Academy secured an Ofsted grading of Good, but there is still so much more that we want to achieve and can achieve to establish Pool Hayes Academy as a truly outstanding provider.

To find out more, please visit www.poolhayes.attrust.org.uk or call the academy to arrange a conversation with our Head of Academy, Lisa Macey.



04. Job Description

Job Description

Science Technician

Purpose of the Role:

To work in partnership with class teachers to support with resources, learning and technical support to meet the needs of the Science department. Under the direction of the Principal carry out academy duties in the proportion of hours set aside and aggregated for this purpose including offering first aid assistance to our students.

Key Responsibilities and Duties:

- Preparation of Rooms or Labs:
 - Ensure all apparatus, equipment and materials are prepared for students' use as requested by teaching staff.
 - Provide technical advice and assistance to teachers and students, assist in practical activities as appropriate to meet the needs of the science curriculum, including liaising with teaching and support staff outside the department.
 - Where appropriate ensure all labels referring to safety hazards are fitted correctly.
 - Ensure the healthy and safe storage and accessibility of equipment and materials.
 - Ensure all items are in good working order and in cases of malfunction, arrange repairs through the established procedure.
- Clearance of Rooms, Studios or Workshops:
 - Put away apparatus, tools and equipment after classes and other activities, check for malfunction and arrange for repairs through established procedure.
 - Wash and/or clear away equipment as necessary.
 - Dismantle apparatus, equipment, etc and store away.
 - Ensure the safe treatment and disposal of used materials including hazardous substances and responding to actual or potential hazards.

- Maintenance and Repairs:
 - Carry out regular checks and where possible minor repairs/adjustments on all equipment and tools.
 - Actively contribute to the assessment, monitoring and view of both health and safety procedures and information resources
- Maintain and keep records of apparatus, equipment, and materials.
- Maintain stock levels of apparatus and materials and re-order as necessary through the established procedure, including keeping stock records and carrying out stock checks.
- Check deliveries and invoices and refer any queries to suppliers or administrative staff, as appropriate.
- Ensure that all equipment, materials, apparatus, tools and machinery are kept in their designated places and that appropriate statutory Health & Safety and security measures are observed.
- Ensure that Health & Safety regulations and relevant legislation are observed.
- To keep up to date with the current procedures and practices through continual professional development.
- Provide technical advice and support on health and safety issues to staff.
- Support intervention in class, as appropriate.
- Undertake First Aid duties

Decisions Made:

The majority of decisions expected of this post are taken within the well-established procedures, policies and routines. The postholder is expected to recognise variations from the accepted patterns, missing documentation or other unusual aspects and, if appropriate, bring them to the attention of the Head of Department for Science.

Academy Ethos

- To play a full part in the life of the Academy community, to support its distinctive mission and ethos and to encourage staff and students to follow this example.
- To promote actively the Academy's corporate policies.
- To comply with the Academy's Health and Safety policy and undertake risk assessments as appropriate.

This role descriptor is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all the duties and responsibilities that may be required.

The job holder will be expected to carry out such professional tasks as are commensurate with the duties and responsibilities of the post. The job description will be reviewed regularly to ensure that it relates to the role being performed and to incorporate reasonable changes that have occurred over time or are being proposed. This role must reflect the expectations within KCSIE (latest version).

The principle responsibilities and tasks as set out above are not intended to be exhaustive. The need for flexibility, accountability and team working is required. The post-holder is expected to carry out any other related duties that are within the employee's skills and abilities, commensurate with the post's grade and whenever reasonably instructed.

The job description will be reviewed regularly to ensure that it relates to the role being performed and to incorporate reasonable changes that have occurred over time or are being proposed. This review will be carried out in consultation with the post-holder before any changes are implemented.



Person Specification

Science Technician

	Essential	Desirable	How will this be demonstrated
Professional Qualifications and learning	Good academic standard of general education to GCSE (grade C/4 in English & Maths).	- Relevant degree or equivalent professional qualification. - First Aid Qualification	Application Form/Checking and Original Copy evidence
Experience	- Awareness of Health & Safety regulations relating to practical subjects in schools. - Proven experience of working under pressure and to deadlines.	Experience of working with children in an educational setting.	- Application Form - Interview - References
Knowledge that supports the role	- Creativity - Basic computer skills. - Good time management. - Organisational skills. - Ability to prioritise work tasks and to be flexible. - Ability to keep calm under pressure.	- Basic computing skills e.g. email, Word, and Excel. - Working knowledge of Microsoft Office. - Proven planning and problem-solving skills. - Ability to organise others. - Awareness of basic first aid - Basic stocktaking and ordering.	- Application Form - Interview - References
Values	- Upholds ethics and values, demonstrates integrity and promotes and defends equal opportunities - Commitment to the safeguarding and welfare of all pupils. - Willingness to ensure that facilities are kept to a standard that complies with health and safety guidelines.	N/A	- Interview - References
Other requirements	- An understanding of and commitment to the Academy's Equalities Policy and Safeguarding Policy. - An understanding of and respect for the confidentiality required by the post. - Willing to work outside of the	- A multi-tasker. - Ability to pay attention to detail. - Team player.	- Interview - References



	post in times of emergency. • An ability to act as a positive role model to pupils.		
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Recruitment & Selection

You can expect the following from the Recruitment & Selection process:

Prior to Interview

- Adverts & Candidate packs that give the full detail of the role (responsibilities, pay, development etc)
- A point of contact for the vacancy within the Trusts recruitment team to advise on each step of the recruitment process
- A full and comprehensive vetting process, that meets and exceeds the requirements of Keeping Children Safe in Education 2025 [Keeping children safe in education 2025](#)
- An applicant tracking system that allows you to enter details with ease and receive updates to the progress of you application and or pre-employment checks
- Selection for Interview based upon the Job Description and Person Specification

Interviews

- The opportunity to prepare with enough notice for interview processes
- A meet and greet at the place of work (Academy or Office) with members of the panel. If the Interview is held on Teams an opportunity to meet at later date
- The opportunity to ask questions and have a full interview with discussion around the role

Following the Interview

- You will receive notification as to whether you were or were not successful
- You will be given an opportunity to obtain feedback
- If successful further safer recruitment checks will take place
- You will receive a conditional offer of employment and contracts of employment will not be issued until all checks are received and are satisfactory

- You will receive a Trust Induction and a localised induction which will give you further information on policies, process and procedures that impact your role
- You should expect regular opportunities to meet with your line manager to address any issues or concerns you may have or to plan any required training you may need
- You should expect to have all the equipment you need to begin your role
- You will have access to the Trusts benefit platform VivUp from day one of employment



07. ATT Institute

What is our Institute?

Our ATT Institute is the cornerstone of ATT colleague professional development for all roles and career stages, bringing the best development opportunities from accredited courses to one off training sessions. All our courses are evidence-based and facilitated by extremely knowledgeable professionals, so we know that all our colleagues receive the best training available. Our offer is designed and delivered by a group of expert colleagues with the needs of all our stakeholders in mind. Whatever your current role and aspirations, there will be something in our offer to support you in reaching the next step of your career journey

Personal Development (PD) Opportunities for our Colleagues

Our Academy Transformation Trust Institute (ATTI) has a suite of training opportunities and professional development pathways across all our directorates: Education, Finance, Governance, Trustees and operations.

These are promoted internally via our dedicated SharePoint and directed communications, and externally via the [ATTI webpage](#). Our ATTI offer is continually evolving to meet the ever-changing professional development needs of our colleagues and includes a range of accredited courses and bespoke training opportunities.

Strategic Collaboration

Collaboration is essential to the continued improvement of our academies and colleagues. We create a culture of collaboration through our professional networks and enable colleagues to drive our Trust priorities within their domains of expertise



08. How to Apply

Science Technician

Applying:

Please apply by visiting

www.academytransformationtrust.co.uk/vaca



Status: Permanent

25 hours per week

39 weeks per year – Term Time Only

Salary:

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Actual Salary: £14,636 - £15,103

FTE Salary: £25,184 - £25,988



Closing Date:

Friday 28 August 2026, 9.00am

Start Date:

As soon as possible



Candidate



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Interviews:



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