



June 2025

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Dear Prospective Applicant

SENIOR HIGHER LEVEL TEACHING ASSISTANT
RISE@GHC (specialist resource provision at Garth Hill College)
37 HOURS PER WEEK (TERM TIME PLUS 2 DAYS)
BGH 15-20 (£25,146 - £27,250) Including London Weighting based on hourly rate £15.44 - £16.73

We are seeking to appoint a talented individual to the post of Senior Higher Level Teaching Assistant. The role involves working with the teachers, taking responsibility for agreed learning activities, involving planning, preparing and delivering learning to individuals, groups and whole classes, including class cover supervision as required.

The successful candidate will be highly competent in identifying and implementing individualised support plans, in conjunction with the pupil and family, which promote inclusion and independence. In addition, the successful candidate will contribute effectively to the work of the multi-disciplinary team, including delivering agreed therapy programmes.

The successful candidates will be educated to Level 3 (two GCE 'A' Level passes) and possess Level 2 qualifications in English and Mathematics (GCSE Grade C or higher or equivalent). Prospective candidates are advised to study the person specification and job description for this post carefully.

Rise@GHC is a specialist resource provision for learners with Autistic Spectrum Conditions and other related special educational needs living in Bracknell Forest and other local authorities. Rise@GHC opened in September 2015, and was awarded NAS autism accreditation in 2024. There are currently 49 pupils on roll in years 7 -11. Our aim is to provide the specialist and personalised learning, care and support that will enable our pupils to go on to achieve educational and personal success, and progress well to the next stage of their lives; to further education, the workplace or to commence work based training or apprenticeships. The centre is part of Garth Hill College but operates in dedicated buildings within a short walk/drive from our main site. Pupils who attend Rise@GHC belong to the Garth Hill College community, wear the same uniform and benefit from access to facilities at the main site as appropriate.

Our last Ofsted inspection in October 2024 was very positive and confirmed that College had taken effective action to maintain the standards identified at the previous inspection (the last full inspection was in May 2019 when we were judged a 'good' school and all areas were rated 'good'). The report highlighted several key strengths including:

Pupils enjoy coming to this inclusive, friendly school. They foster strong relationships with staff and with one another.

Pupils' well-being is a priority. The highly effective pastoral system supports pupils' well-being and mental health.

Pupils benefit from the wide range of worthwhile educational experiences on offer.

The wider personal development of pupils is a strength. The school has put in place a carefully considered programme that runs through the whole school.

The school prepares pupils effectively for their next steps.

The full report can be read at <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/23/110069>.

We are excited and confident about the future as we continue our journey to excellence. Our CPD programme is very strong. An outstanding team of teaching and learning professionals, including Lead Practitioners and Teaching and Learning Coaches, lead whole college and bespoke teacher development.

Furthermore, behaviour and inclusion support for pupils is exceptional. There is a very clear and established behaviour management system with 'send out'. The Behaviour Support Team helps staff and pupils to help resolve any issues that occur and work to ensure that pupils behave impeccably (one of our 'Seven Habits' for pupils). Centralised detentions help to reduce teacher workload.

I am fortunate to work with an extremely dedicated team of staff. We are passionate about our pupils' learning, and the Garth Hill community. We seek the very best for our pupils and we are committed to providing excellent service and care to them and their families. We also work in a great learning environment with superb facilities.

If you possess the qualities listed, have the necessary skills and experience, believe that working with young people is a privilege and are ambitious for the future of Garth Hill College, we welcome your application.

Please do feel free to come and visit us too or pick up the phone.

Applications

Should you have any queries please contact Mrs. S Barnes at the College via email on s-barnes@garthhillcollege.com

The Interview Process

If selected, the interview process will test and assess your fulfilment of the requirements for this position. As part of this process, you will be expected to attend a panel interview. You may also be asked to complete a task relevant to the position. The interview process will include consideration of your suitability to work with children and the interview panel will ask questions on safeguarding children/young people.

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS 09H00 ON 1 JULY 2025

Safeguarding Children

Please note that Garth Hill College is committed to safeguarding children. In line with our Safeguarding Policy, we adopt safe recruitment procedures and always check the suitability of applicants to work with children/young people through the appropriate authorities. Only applications submitted on the College's application form will be considered and the successful applicant will be required to undertake a full check and disclosure by the Disclosure and Barring Service. It is our normal procedure to request references on shortlisted candidates prior to interview.

Support and Professional Development

A range of support and professional development opportunities are available at Garth Hill College.

- Friendly and supportive working environment
- Strong staff well-being culture and programme of events
- OFSTED 'good' (May 2019)
- Free use of on-site gym with rowing machines, cross-trainer, spin bikes and free weights.
- As a Bracknell Forest Local Authority school, staff also take advantage of Bracknell Forest employee benefits [Staff benefits | Bracknell Forest Council \(bracknell-forest.gov.uk\)](https://bracknell-forest.gov.uk/staff-benefits).
- A comprehensive induction programme for new staff

Yours faithfully



Keith Grainger
Principal