



ALTRINCHAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOR BOYS



**APPOINTMENT OF TEACHER OF
DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY
(Temporary Contract – One Year)**



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Information Pack for Candidates TEACHER OF DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY (Temporary Contract – One Year) Start Date: 1st September 2022

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This document is a prospectus designed specifically for you as a candidate, the aim being to summarise the relevant information you require to reach your decision on whether to apply for a position at our School. We hope you find this useful. Please access the School website www.agsb.co.uk for further information.



WELCOME FROM THE HEAD MASTER

I am delighted to welcome you to the recruitment area for Altrincham Grammar School for Boys, one of the top performing boys' schools in the country.

Founded in 1912, the school is rated "Outstanding" by Ofsted and secures some of the best examination results at GCSE and A level in the country. Almost all students progress to university with many attending the best Russell Group universities including Oxford, Cambridge and many others.

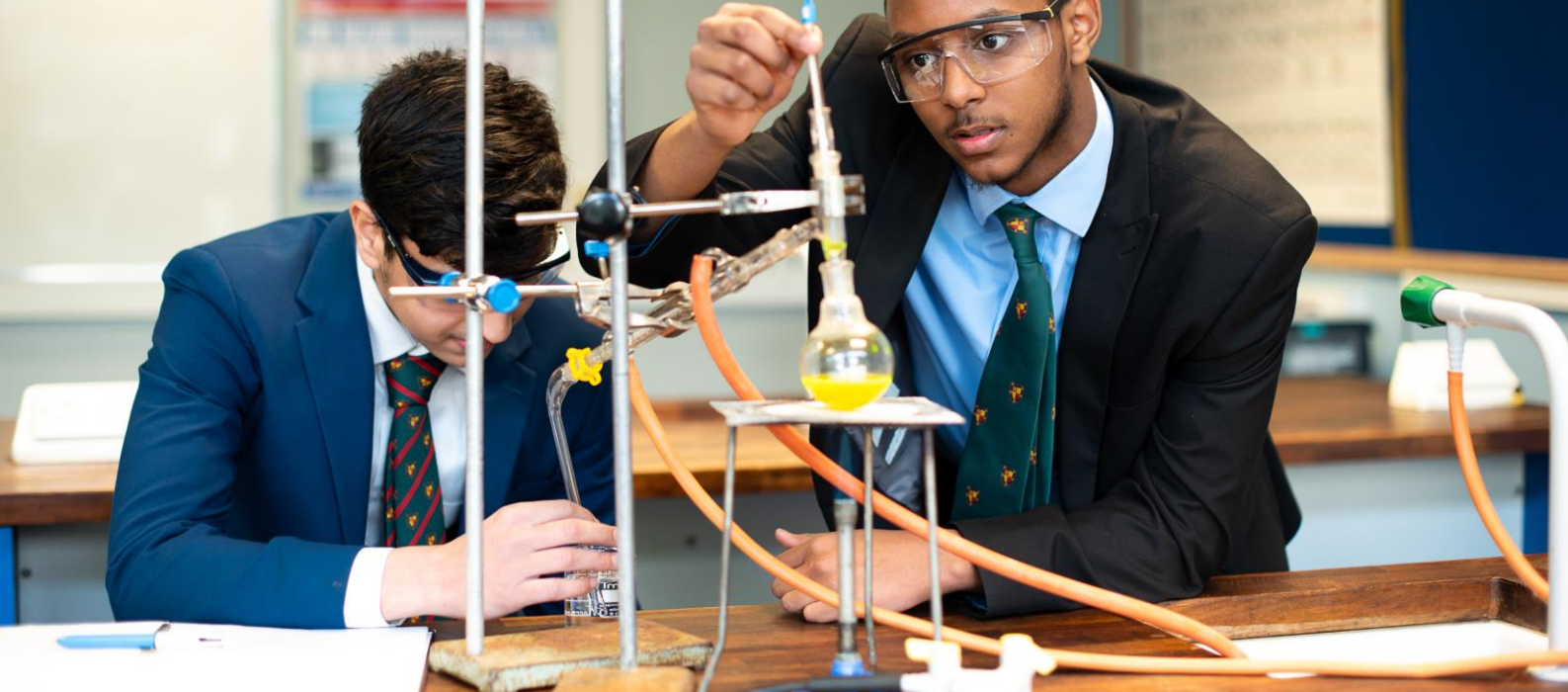
We tailor our curriculum to ensure students are nurtured as well-rounded individuals, excelling in core subjects like Mathematics, English and the Sciences but who are also deeply knowledgeable about the Arts and Humanities.

Knowledge, however, is only one component of success. At this school we aim to equip our students with the range of skills to succeed in a rapidly changing world. All students are offered a wide-ranging programme of extra-curricular activities and enrichment that hone essential character traits such as leadership, resilience, moral purpose, integrity and honesty.

AGSB is a great place to work and I look forward to receiving your application.

Yours sincerely

G.A. Wright
Head Master



THE SCHOOL

Altrincham Grammar School for Boys is a multi-ethnic seven-form entry 11-18 selective Academy School. It caters for boys who have been selected for a grammar school education from a wide area of South Manchester and North Cheshire. Pupils travel to the School from Wilmslow, Knutsford, Lymm, Warrington, Sale, Urmston, Old Trafford and Cheadle Hulme.

The number of boys in the School has been rising steadily in recent years as its popularity has increased. In September 2021, there were 1345 boys in the school of whom 402 are in the Sixth Form. The School is very popular with parents and in the current year received over 1,300 applications for 202 places.

The academic results are outstanding and they place the School in the top 25 maintained schools in the country. Our GCSE results are strong in respect of 9/8 grades and our 'A' level results in respect of A*/A/B grades. The 2007 Ofsted Report graded the School as 'outstanding'.

We have the highest expectations of our students, not only in their academic performance, but in their commitment to extra-curricular activities be it in sport, drama, music or wider community service.

We are a school that values diversity and individual contribution; supporting and encouraging both students and staff to pursue their interests and achieve their ambitions.

An investment of £4M in improved sports facilities has been completed and all School employees benefit from free use of the facilities.

There are exciting times ahead at AGSB. In September 2020, the school moved from six to seven-form entry. In December 2020, work was completed on a state of the art £2.8 million teaching complex which is located in the heart of the School.



THE LOCATION

Altrincham Grammar School for Boys is situated a mile from Altrincham town centre within the Parish of Bowden, and close to the surrounding parishes of Hale, Altrincham and Timperley. The surrounding area is a desirable place to live and work. The School prides itself on its excellent relationship with the local community and parents. These are important factors that have contributed to the School's success and enable pupils to reach their full potential both academically and personally.

Ten miles from Manchester city centre and thirty miles from Liverpool and Chester, the area is served by an excellent motorway network and the Manchester Metrolink rail. Manchester International Airport is sited in the east of the School's catchment area, five miles from Altrincham town centre. Wythenshawe Teaching Hospital, a pioneer in advanced surgery, is sited just outside the catchment area to the north. The School has strong connections with Manchester University and Manchester Metropolitan University both through teacher training links and through links with academic departments.

Manchester is a cosmopolitan centre of international commerce, arts, music, theatre, opera, ballet, sports, museums and events. The Bridgewater Hall in Manchester is the home of the Hallé Orchestra, there are numerous venues for major rock concerts, and the city centre theatres regularly host major West End productions. Old Trafford, home of Manchester United Football Club and Lancashire Cricket Club, is within easy reach of Altrincham.



THE TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

The Technology Department consists of four workshops, a Food and Nutrition room and an electronics laboratory.

Our team of seven dedicated staff offers a suite of GCSE and A-Level options.

We have installed a selection of CAM equipment including CNC Milling Machines and a Laser Cutter to support our teaching across all year groups and we encourage our students to work collaboratively and think creatively which has led to great success in design competitions at a National and International level such as Teen Tech and The Big Bang.

Our Technical Teaching Assistant is able to work alongside the teaching team to realise outstanding outcomes and provide 1:1 support for individual pupils where necessary.

We operate an open workshop policy which enables KS5 pupils to work alongside lower school pupils which allows them to further their design projects whilst providing support at the same time and our workshops are also open during lunchtimes so that all pupils can work in the area should they choose to do so.



THE ROLE

We are keen to appoint an outstanding teacher of Design & Technology to join the Department from the 1st September 2022.

Our School provides a supportive environment in which to work and teachers are encouraged to share their practice as an important contribution to their own and others' professional development.

The successful candidate will be an enthusiastic teacher and be able to deliver all aspects of Technology to Year 7, 8 and 9 pupils.

This exciting post would be ideal for a Newly Qualified Teacher or a more experienced teacher who is looking to start or progress their career in this demanding, yet rewarding School.

The Technology Department prides itself on outstanding academic results in GCSE and A-level examinations.

The right candidate should:

- Be an effective team member who is proactive, adaptable and willing to go above and beyond the call of duty in the best interest of the pupils or the Department.
- Be keen to increase and extend their experience, by accepting roles of responsibility within the Department.

APPLICATIONS

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One of the leading Boys' Grammar Schools requires an enthusiastic and committed full-time Teacher of Design & Technology to join an outstanding Faculty from the 1st September 2022.

The post would be ideally suited to a Teacher who wishes to broaden his/her experience within an academic school but newly qualified Teachers are also encouraged to apply.

The successful applicant will be remunerated at a level representing their qualifications, skills and experience.

To arrange a visit or for an informal chat about working at the School please contact the Head Master via email gwright@agsb.co.uk.

Applicants are requested to submit a completed Application Form via the TES website which should include a separate formal letter of application addressed to the Head Master and submitted to gwright@agsb.co.uk.

Closing date for applications is 8.30am on Friday, 12th August 2022. Interviews will take place during the Summer holidays.

Further background information is available on our website – <https://www.agsb.co.uk/>.

Shortlisted candidates will be contacted with details of the interview process. If you have not heard from us within two weeks of the closing date please assume your application has been unsuccessful.

Safer Recruitment

Altrincham Grammar School for Boys is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Applicants must be willing to go through child protection screening appropriate to the post including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service. As part of our shortlisting process, the School reserves the right to carry out an online search as part of its due diligence on those candidates it shortlists for interview. This is to help us identify any incidents or issues that have happened, and are publicly available online, which the School might want to explore with an applicant at interview. This is part of the School's safeguarding procedures.

Equal Opportunities

We are an equal opportunity employer. We are also a multi-ethnic school and we particularly welcome applications from ethnic minority candidates who are under-represented in our staff population compared to our pupil population.