

CES Guidance

CES Model Application Forms and Supplementary Forms

Notes to Applicants

These Notes accompany the relevant CES Model Application Forms for each category of employee and:

- the Model Recruitment Monitoring Form;
- the Model Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 Disclosure Form; and
- the Model Consent to Obtain Reference Form,

together referred to as the "supplementary forms".

Where there is a distinction between categories of employee to which these Notes apply, it will be clearly highlighted.

Applicants are advised to read through these Notes fully before completing the Application Form and the supplementary forms.

Applicants are advised that references to School/College in the Application Forms, the supplementary forms and these Notes to Applicants includes Academies. Further, references to Governing Body in those documents include an Academy Trust Company, a Multi Academy Trust Company and/or its Governing Body/Board of Directors/Local Governing Body as appropriate.

TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Depending on the recruiting school/college's own requirements applicants may complete the Application Form and supplementary forms in three ways:
 - Completion and submission electronically;
 - Completion electronically, printing and submitting hardcopy via post, by fax or by scanning and emailing;
 - Printing off and completing in handwritten format, then submitting by post, by fax or by scanning and emailing.
- 2. Where applicants complete the Application Form and supplementary forms and submit by post, written acknowledgement of receipt will only be provided where the applicant has supplied a stamped addressed envelope with their posted application.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicants must ensure that they are using the most up to date version of the Application Form and supplementary forms. Where there is any doubt, applicants should contact the school/college where the position applied for is based, or the contact person mentioned in the details of the post.

Applicants are reminded that this is an application for a post in a Catholic Voluntary Aided School / Catholic Voluntary Academy / Catholic Voluntary Multi Academy Trust (if applicable) where the Governing Body / Academy Trust Company / Multi Academy Trust Company is the employer and that the post will be subject to the terms and conditions of the appropriate CES model contract of employment. A copy of the relevant contract will be provided to the applicant if they are shortlisted for interview.

Applicants should note that, in accordance with the safeguarding vulnerable groups' regime, it is their responsibility to have made any necessary registrations relevant at the time of making this application, which are required for people working or volunteering with children. Accordingly, applicants are put on notice that any offer of employment made will be conditional upon the results of checks from the Disclosure & Barring Service ("the DBS") and Teacher Services (regarding teacher prohibition/disqualification from working with children and young people).

Before signing the application form, applicants must ensure that every section has been completed. Failure to complete all relevant sections may result in an application being rejected.

All Application Forms, supplementary forms and any relevant documentary evidence should be sent to the school/college where the position applied for is based, or as instructed in the details of the post. Applicants should <u>not</u> return any Application Form and/or supplementary forms and/or any relevant documentary evidence to the CES. Any applications received by the CES will not be forwarded or returned but shall be securely disposed of.

THE APPLICATION FORM – GUIDANCE ON COMPLETING SPECIFIC SECTIONS

Applicants are advised that the Governing Body complies with the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 and the Equality Act 2010.

Details of the Role Applied For:

Please complete this section of the form by ticking the relevant boxes.

Personal Details:

Please tick the relevant box in order to indicate how you would prefer to be contacted.

Where you have obtained qualified teacher status from a jurisdiction other than England or Wales please insert your membership number for the relevant teaching profession regulator and provide details of the specific regulator.

Support staff and Lay Chaplain Application Forms only – if you have not obtained qualified teacher status please leave this section blank.

Details of Present Employment

If you are not currently employed please tick the box that says "no" and proceed to next section.

Employment History

Applicants should provide full and accurate details of relevant employment history and professional or work experience. They should not repeat the information provided (if applicable) relating to present employment. Where the applicant is a student seeking a first time appointment they should provide details of all teaching practice to date (if applicable).

Other Employment/Work Experience

Applicants should provide details of all other employment and paid or unpaid experience after the age of 18 (e.g. employment unrelated to the teaching profession, voluntary work etc).

Applicants must ensure that there are no gaps in the chronology of their education and/or employment history from the age of 18 to the present day and space has been provided on the form for this information. Failure to provide a full account may lead to an application being rejected.

Applicants must declare whether they have ever been ordained and/or been a member of a religious community. Where the answer to this question is 'yes', the Applicant must provide full details and expect that this will be discussed in more detail if they are successfully shortlisted for interview, more particularly in relation to their Canonical status and whether the Applicant is subject to any restrictions which may affect their suitability for appointment to the post applied for.

Post-11 Education and Training

Applicants should provide details of education received in this country and/or abroad, academic vocational qualifications obtained including degrees, with class and division, and Teacher Certificates. Applicants must include postgraduate and professional qualifications. Applicants are advised that they may be required to produce evidence of qualifications attained. Please ensure that all relevant classifications and grades are included.

Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies ("CCRS") – this was formerly known as the Catholic Teachers' Certificate and Certificate in Religious Education.

Teacher post Application Forms only – please state which subjects you are qualified to teach including other subjects for which you may have experience to teach. Please also provide details of any other specialisms and special areas of teaching interest.

Senior Leadership posts only - the CES recognises that NPQH is no longer a mandatory requirement in England but applicants should still provide details of NPQH where requested in the Application Form as a potentially desirable qualification. Applicants for Headteacher posts in Wales <u>must</u> provide details of NPQH as this remains a mandatory requirement for first Headship appointments.

Supporting Statement

Applicants should ensure that their supporting statement is clear and concise and does not exceed 1,300 words. It is preferable, although not compulsory, that the supporting statement is typed rather than handwritten.

References

All applicants are required to provide details of at least two, and up to three, referees. A referee who is a current or former employer must have full access to the applicant's personnel records. This is in order to ensure that the information provided is accurate.

There may be situations where the referee does not have full access to an applicant's records for data protection and privacy reasons. If that is the case, the referee will need to be in a position to complete the reference to an acceptable standard with information relating to the applicant's dates of employment. All posts are subject to satisfactory references.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that they have obtained their nominated referees' explicit consent to pass on their contact details to the school. Not only is this a matter of courtesy but ensures that the General Data Protection Regulation is being complied with. **Please also complete the Consent to Obtain References Form and return it with your application.**

Applicants must advise the school/college if they do not want them to contact any of their referees and provide reasons. For example, where applicants are currently employed, they may not wish the school/college to contact their employer until such time that they have given notice to terminate their employment.

Applicants are advised that schools/colleges designated with a religious character in England and Wales are permitted by law to require certain posts to be filled by practising Catholics. In certain specific circumstances, it is possible that a temporary post may be filled by a person who is not a practising Catholic and there is no intention to deter suitable applicants from expressing their interest.

Senior Leadership posts – Applicants are advised that the 'Memorandum on Appointment of Teachers To Catholic Schools' (amended September 2014), provides that 'the posts of Headteacher or Principal, Deputy Headteacher or Deputy Principal and Head or Coordinator of Religious Education are to be filled by practising Catholics'. The Memorandum may be viewed by visiting the CES's website at: http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/employment-documents/bishops-memorandum/item/1000049-memorandum-on-appointment-of-teachers-to-catholic-schools

Teacher posts – Applicants are advised that schools/colleges are entitled to give priority to Catholic applicants. A higher degree of priority may be given to practising Catholic applicants but applications from all Catholic applicants (whether practising or not) are eligible to be given priority over applicants who are not Catholic. Nevertheless, applicants who are not Catholics are welcome to apply.

Support Staff posts – Applicants are advised that schools/colleges (in England only) are entitled to give priority to Catholic applicants where it can be demonstrated that attaching this requirement to a particular post is a proportionate means of achieving a legitimate aim (commonly known as a "genuine occupational requirement"). The recruitment documentation should make clear whether this requirement applies to the post.

Definition of "practising Catholic" - Schools/colleges may provide guidance to the applicant regarding the definition of a "practising Catholic" with the application pack and/or in the event that the applicant is shortlisted for interview.

In summary, all suitably qualified Catholic applicants, regardless of the teaching post for which they are applying, are eligible to be given preference over applicants who are not Catholic. Practising Catholic applicants should nominate their Parish Priest as one of their referees. Those applicants applying for the permanent Senior Leadership posts referenced in the Memorandum <u>must</u> provide such details.

For other teaching posts, Catholics who do not consider themselves to be "practising" may provide a copy of their baptism certificate with their application form, instead of providing a Priest's reference. Alternatively, they should provide details of the name and address of the Parish where they were baptised and the date of their baptism. For support staff posts, the recruitment documentation should make clear whether being a Catholic is a requirement for the post.

In the event that an applicant is appointed, any failure to disclose the existence of a relationship, whether it be by marriage, blood or as co-habitee, between the applicant or their spouse/civil partner/partner with a member, or an employee, of the Governing Body of the school/college where the post is situated may be considered a disciplinary offence warranting summary dismissal.

<u>Immigration, Asylum and Nationality Act 2006</u>

In accordance with the legal requirements of the Immigration, Asylum & Nationality Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act") (as amended) the Governing Body is under a legal duty to require all members of staff to provide documentary evidence of their entitlement to undertake the position applied for and to ensure that they have an ongoing entitlement to live and work in the UK. These checks need to be carried out for every person the Governing Body employs regardless of race, ethnicity or nationality. Therefore, on conditional offer of employment, and before a successful applicant commences their post, they must provide supporting evidence of their right to live and work in the UK. Generally speaking, the provision of one of the documents listed below will be sufficient proof but applicants are advised to consider the UK Visas and Immigration requirements for preventing illegal working in the UK for a full list of documents that may prove such entitlement which can be found on the Home Office's website.

The most common proof of entitlement documents are:

- (a) A passport showing that the holder, or a person named in the passport as the child of the holder, is a British citizen or a citizen of the UK and Colonies having the right of abode in the UK.
- (b) A passport or national identity card showing that the holder, or a person named in the passport as the child of the holder, is a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- (c) A Registration Certificate or Document Certifying Permanent Residence issued by the Home Office to a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- (d) A Permanent Residence Card issued by the Home Office to the family member of a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- (e) A current Biometric Immigration Document (Biometric Residence Permit) issued by the Home Office to the holder indicating that the person named is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK, or has no time limit on their stay in the UK.
- (f) A current passport endorsed to show that the holder is exempt from immigration control, is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK, or has no time limit on their stay in the UK.

- (g) A current Immigration Status Document issued by the Home Office to the holder with an endorsement indicating that the named person is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK or has no limit on their stay in the UK, together with an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- (h) An online right to work check demonstrating that the applicant has either pre-settled or settled status.

The above list is non-exhaustive.

IMMIGRATION ACT 2016

Part 7 of the above Act places a legal duty on those recruiting staff to work in public facing roles within the public sector. Public facing roles within the public sector would include leadership teams, teachers, support staff and others employed to work in state schools. The said duty is to ensure that the applicant is fluent in English or Welsh, as applicable.

The government has produced a code of practice to guide employers on how to implement the requirement without breaching the provisions of the Equality Act 2010.¹

It is important not to discriminate on the basis of accents and dialects, as this could amount to discrimination on the grounds of race. Note that there is no requirement to test existing staff who are already employed at the school and the code of practice should be considered when recruiting new applicants.

Declaration

The Governing Body has a duty to make a report where the applicant provides false information in prescribed circumstances in accordance with the Education Act 2002.

SUPPLEMENTARY FORMS

Model Recruitment Monitoring Form

Applicants are not required to complete the Recruitment Monitoring Form, however, if they do, they will be helping the school/college to fulfil its duties under the Equality Act 2010.

The Recruitment Monitoring Form will be used purely for monitoring and statistical purposes and will not form part of the application or the recruitment process. The persons involved in the recruitment process will not have sight of the completed Recruitment Monitoring Form.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/573013/english_language_requirement_public_sector_workers_code_of_practice_2016.pdf

¹ See:

Where applicants wish to complete the Recruitment Monitoring Form they should return it *with* their completed application but in a *separate* sealed envelope clearly marked "Confidential – F.A.O: Recruitment Monitor".

Model Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 – Disclosure Form

As the position applied for gives privileged access to vulnerable groups, we require all applicants attending interview to disclose all spent convictions and cautions under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exemptions) Order 1975 unless it is a "protected" conviction/caution under the amendments made to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exemptions) Order 1975 (in 2013) and, therefore, not subject to disclosure.

If you are invited for interview, please bring The Disclosure Form with you to the interview in a **separate**, **sealed envelope** clearly marked "Confidential – Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 – Disclosure Form". You will be asked to hand the form to the interviewer at the end of the interview.

Guidance on the filtering of "protected" convictions and cautions can be accessed on the Disclosure and Barring Service website.

The Disclosure Form will only be seen by those persons within the school/academy/college and/or Governing Body / Academy Trust Company / Multi-Academy Trust Company who are required to see it as part of the recruitment process if you are the preferred / one of the preferred candidates for the position.

Model Consent to Obtain References Form

Please ensure that you complete and return the Consent to Obtain References Form with your completed application.

If you have any further questions in relation to the position applied for please contact the school / college where the position applied for is based or contact the individual named on the advertisement for the post.



CONSENT TO OBTAIN REFERENCES FORM

It is the responsibility of all applicants to ensure that all named referees have consented to providing a reference. In accordance with Keeping Children Safe in Education (2018) we will obtain and scrutinise references prior to interview and referees will be contacted to provide clarification as appropriate. All information provided by referees will also be compared, for consistency, with the information applicants have provided on their application form with the intention that questions will be asked during interview if there are discrepancies.

Referees will be asked to verify the contents of an applicant's application form (where they are relevant) and will also be asked for information about:

- All disciplinary offences (including those where the penalty is "time expired" if related to children; and
- All child protection allegations including the outcome of any child protection investigations.

We will also ask about an applicant's performance history including details of any capability concerns (including attendance issues).

Request for your consent

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), we wish to ensure you are aware of the purpose for which we are requesting your consent to collect and process the data we will be asking for when we contact your referees.

Important information regarding your consent

- 1. We are the Kent Catholic Schools' Partnership.
- 2. Being a Catholic education provider we work closely with the Trust's Diocesan Authority, the Trust's Trustees, the Local Authority, the Department of Education and the Catholic Education Service with whom we may share information provided by your referees if we consider it is necessary in order to fulfil our functions.
- 3. The person responsible for data protection within our organisation is Mrs Michelle Boniface and you can contact her with any questions relating to our handling of your data. You can contact Mrs Boniface by emailing: mboniface@kcsp.org.uk
- 4. We require the information we will request from your referees in order to process your application for employment.

- 5. To the extent that you have shared any special categories of personal data¹ this will not be shared with any third party except as detailed in paragraph 2 above, unless a legal obligation should arise.
- 6. If your application is successful, the information provided by your referees will become part of your personnel file which shall be retained throughout the duration of your employment within our organisation and afterwards in accordance with our data retention policy.
- 7. If you are unsuccessful, your references and any documents you have submitted in support of your application will be destroyed after a period of 6 months.
- 8. We will keep a record of your consent as evidence that we have obtained your consent to requesting references from your referees.
- 9. You have the right to withdraw your consent at any time and can do so by informing our organisation's Data Protection Officer (see paragraph 3) that you wish to withdraw your consent.
- 10. To read about your individual rights you can refer to our fair processing notice and data protection policies.
- 11. If you wish to complain about how we have collected and processed any information relating to your application, you can make a complaint to our organisation by contacting our Data Protection Officer, Mrs Michelle Boniface at mboniface@kcsp.org.uk. If you are unhappy with how your complaint has been handled you can contact the Information Commissioner's Office via their website at www.ico.org.uk.

Request for your consent

Please ensure that you read paragraphs 1-11 above and raise any relevant questions before providing your consent below:

| • | I confirm that I have read and understood paragraphs 1-11 above and that I have been offered |
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| | the opportunity to raise any relevant questions: Yes \square No \square |

Please check this box if you have any objection to our taking up your references and to the collection and processing of your data as described in paragraphs 1-11 above \Box

| I agree to you contacting my referees in order f | , , , |
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| Signature: | Date: |
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¹ Article 9(1) GDPR sets out the special categories of personal data as follows: "personal data revealing racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, or trade union membership, and the processing of genetic data, biometric data for the purpose of uniquely identifying a natural person, data concerning health or data concerning a natural person's sex life or sexual orientation...."

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RECRUITMENT MONITORING INFORMATION FORM

THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY YOU WILL BE USED FOR MONITORING AND STATISTICAL PURPOSES ONLY AND WILL NOT SUPPLEMENT OR FORM PART OF YOUR APPLICATION, THE SELECTION CRITERIA USED OR THE SELECTION PROCESS GENERALLY.

You are not obliged to complete this form but, if you do so, it will help us to fulfil our duties under the Equality Act 2010 to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation, to promote and advance equality of opportunity and to foster good relations between people who share a relevant "protected characteristic" and those who do not. "Protected characteristics", as defined by the Equality Act 2010, are age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

| Post title: | | |
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| School: | | |
| Date of birth: | | |
| GENDER | | |
| Female \square | Male \square | Prefer not to say \Box |
| COUNTRY OF BIRTH | | |
| My country of birth is: | | |

ETHNIC ORIGIN I would describe my ethnic origin as: White 1. British \square Scottish Welsh English Irish European Non-European Any other White background (please specify): 2. **Black or Black British** African \square Caribbean Any other Black background (please specify): 3. **Mixed Background** White and Asian \square White and Black Asian White and Black Caribbean Any other mixed background (please specify): **Asian and Asian British** 4. Bangladeshi Indian \square Pakistani Any other Asian background (please specify): 5. **Chinese and Chinese British** Chinese Any other Chinese background (please specify):

6.

Please specify:

Other ethnic group

| RELIGI | ON | | | | | | |
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| I would | describ | e my religion as | : | | | | |
| None | | Catholic | | Other Christian | | Buddhist | |
| Hindu | | Jewish | | Muslim | | Sikh | |
| Any oth | Any other (please specify): | | | | | | |
| DISAB | ILITY | | | | | | |
| The legal definition of disability is 'a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on a person's ability to carry out normal day to day activities. Some specific conditions deemed to be disabilities include HIV, cancer, multiple sclerosis and severe disfigurements. | | | | | | | |
| Do you have a disability, long-term illness (mental or physical), and/or on-going medical condition that we should be aware of: | | | | | | | |
| Yes: | | No: | | | | | |

Request for Your Consent to Process Your Data

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), we wish to ensure you are aware of the purpose for which we are requesting your consent to collect and process the data we have asked you to provide on this form. Please note that the completion of this form is voluntary and is not part of your application. There is no requirement for you to provide the information requested on this form.

Important information regarding your consent

- 1. We are the Kent Catholic Schools' Partnership.
- 2. Being a Catholic education provider, we work closely with the Archdiocese of Southwark with whom we may share the information you provide on this application form. The reason for this is to enable the Archdiocese of Southwark to fulfil its role in supporting its schools and exercising the Bishop's and Trustees' responsibilities (including oversight of its provision).
- 3. The person responsible for data protection within our organisation is Mrs Michelle Boniface and you can contact her with any questions relating to our handling of your data. You can contact Mrs Boniface by emailing: mboniface@kcsp.org.uk
- 4. We require the information we have requested on this form in order to fulfil our duties under the Equality Act 2010, namely for statistical and equal opportunity monitoring purposes. As part of our duties under the Equality Act 2010 we will share the information you provide with the Archdiocese of Southwark as part of ensuring equal opportunity monitoring.

- 5. To the extent that you have shared any special categories of personal data¹ this will not be shared with any third party except as detailed in paragraphs 2 and 4 above, unless a legal obligation should arise.
- 6. We shall retain the information you have provided on this form for a period of 6 months to enable equal opportunity monitoring to take place.
- 7. We will keep a record of your consent as evidence that we have obtained your consent to collect and process the data you have provided on this application form.
- 8. You have the right to withdraw your consent at any time and can do so by informing our organisation's Data Protection Officer (see paragraph 3 above) that you wish to withdraw your consent.
- 9. To read about your individual rights you can refer to our fair processing notice and data protection policies.
- 10. If you wish to complain about how we have collected and processed the information you have provided on this form, you can make a complaint to our organisation by contacting our Data Protection Officer, Mrs Michelle Boniface at mboniface@kcsp.org.uk. If you are unhappy with how your complaint has been handled you can contact the Information Commissioner's Office via their website at www.ico.org.uk.

Request for your consent

Please ensure that you read paragraphs 1-10 above and raise any relevant questions before providing your consent below:

| • | I confirm that I have read and understood paragraphs 1-10 above and that I have been offered |
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| | the opportunity to raise any relevant questions: Yes \square No \square |

| • | Please check this box if you have any objection to our collecting and processing your persona |
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| | information as described in paragraphs 1-10 above □ |

¹ Article 9(1) GDPR sets out the special categories of personal data as follows: "personal data revealing racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, or trade union membership, and the processing of genetic data, biometric data for the purpose of uniquely identifying a natural person, data concerning health or data concerning a natural person's sex life or sexual orientation…"

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REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS ACT 1974 – DISCLOSURE FORM

This disclosure form is supplementary to the relevant section relating to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974, of the relevant CES Application Form.

If you are invited for interview, please bring this form with you to the interview in a separate, sealed envelope marked "Confidential – Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 - Disclosure Form". You will be asked to hand the form to the interviewer at the end of the interview.

- 1. In accordance with statutory requirements certain pre-employment checks are conducted for positions that involve work with vulnerable groups, specifically children and vulnerable adults.
- 2. The information obtained from these checks is used to help safeguard these groups. It will not be used to discriminate unfairly against those with convictions which we consider unrelated to working with vulnerable groups. We ask for this information in order to facilitate an honest and open dialogue with prospective employees and we encourage all prospective employees to provide contextual information regarding any convictions disclosed.
- 3. Having a criminal record will not automatically bar you from employment or voluntary work with us.

As the position you are applying for gives you privileged access to vulnerable groups, you are required to disclose all spent convictions and cautions under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exemptions) Order 1975 unless they are a "protected" convictions/cautions under the amendments made to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exemptions) Order 1975 (in 2013 and 2020) and, therefore, not subject to disclosure.

This means that you must disclose all spent and unspent convictions on this form other than those which are so "protected". This may include driving offences but will not include youth cautions, reprimands or warnings. Please note that the rules on multiple convictions were changed in November 2020. If you are unsure about whether or not your conviction requires disclosure please review the Ministry of Justice guidance on the filtering of "protected" convictions and cautions which can be accessed on the Ministry of Justice website.

Failure to disclose any disclosable criminal convictions could lead either to your application being rejected or, if you are appointed, to summary dismissal if it is subsequently discovered that you have had any disclosable criminal convictions and a referral to the Police may be made.

It is an offence to knowingly apply for, offer to do, accept, or do any work in a regulated position if you have been disqualified from working with children.

Any offer of employment will be subject to checks being carried out in order to ensure that you are not subject to a prohibition order or an interim prohibition order.

Failure to complete this form may render your application invalid. Full Name: Date of Birth: Post Applied for: Do you have any unspent conditional cautions or convictions under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974? No: Yes: Do you have any adult cautions (simple or conditional) or spent convictions that are not protected as defined by the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 (Amendment) (England and Wales) Order 2020? No: Yes:

Date of each conviction / pending hearing / reprimand / warning;

If you have answered yes to the question above, please set out the following details below:

- The offence;
- The sentence; and
- The Police Force / Court involved.

Declaration: I hereby certify that the information given above is true and accurate:

SIGNATURE :

DATE :

Request for Your Consent to Process Your Data

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), we wish to ensure you are aware of the purpose for which we are requesting your consent to collect and process the data we have asked you to provide on this form.

Important information regarding your consent

- 1. We are [insert name and address of school and state whether VA, Academy, Independent etc. If you are part of a multi academy trust, state the registered name of the academy trust company and state that the academy trust company is the data controller and explain that the school is part of the multi academy trust].
- To the extent that you have disclosed any criminal records information on this form, your information may be shared with OFSTED/Estyn and the Local Authority Designated Officer for child protection matters (the LADO). As a Catholic education provider, we work closely with [insert name of Diocese / other relevant third party] with whom we may be required to share the information you have provided on this form.
- 3. The person responsible for data protection within our organisation is **[insert name of data protection officer]** and you can contact them with any questions relating to our handling of your data. You can contact them by **[insert method of contact and contact details]**.
- 4. We require the information requested on this form in order to process your application for employment and to ascertain whether you are a suitable candidate to work with children/in a child centred environment.
- 5. We require you to complete this form regarding criminal records disclosure as the information is needed in order to assist us in complying with our legal obligation to safeguard and protect children from harm.
- 6. If your application is successful and you have disclosed criminal records information on this form, we shall retain the form as part of your permanent employment record and afterwards in accordance with the School's data retention policy. In addition, we shall document and retain records of relevant guidance/advice received by OFSTED/Estyn and/or the LADO and any other appropriate third party.¹

¹ See paragraph 2.

- 7. If you are unsuccessful and you have disclosed criminal records information which could disqualify you from working with children/in a child centred environment, we shall share the information you have provided on this form with OFSTED/Estyn and/or the LADO and any other appropriate third party.²
- 8. If you are unsuccessful and you have not disclosed criminal records information on this form, this form shall be destroyed after a maximum period of 6 months.
- 9. We will keep a record of your consent as evidence that we have obtained your consent to collect and process the data you have provided on this form.
- 10. You have the right to withdraw your consent at any time and can do so by informing our organisation's Data Protection Officer (see paragraph 3 above) that you wish to withdraw your consent.
- 11. If you fail to complete this form, we may not be able to comply with our legal duty to safeguard children. This means that we may not therefore continue to process your employment application or offer you a position within our organisation.
- 12. To read about your individual rights you can refer to our fair processing notice and data protection policies.
- To complain about how we have collected and processed the information you have provided on this form, you can make a complaint to our organisation by *[insert details of the school / academy trust company / multi academy trust company complaints procedure]*. If you are unhappy with how your complaint has been handled you can contact the Information Commissioners Office via their website at www.ico.org.uk.

Request for your consent

Please ensure that you read paragraphs 1-13 above and raise any relevant questions before providing your consent below:

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| | the opportunity to raise any relevant questions: Yes \square No \square |
| • | Please check this box if you agree to our collecting and processing your personal information |
| | as described in paragraphs 1-11 above: \square |
| • | I agree to my personal data being shared as stated in paragraphs 2, 6 and 7 above: Yes \Box No \Box |
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² Ibid