



Network Manager at Hollingworth Academy

The Academy received a new build under the BSF government initiative this included a £1.5m ICT infrastructure and devices in September 2011. School wide ICT currently has a budget of £150,000 per year but the Academy is planning an additional £500k over the next 3-4 years.

The Academy vision of ICT is to enhance pupil, staff and stakeholders access to all learning resources, looking at:

- Speed of Access – The less time a lesson spends switching on, logging in, running apps, browsing and downtime of devices and network, means more learning and progress can be made.
- Security – Ensuring pupils, staff and stakeholders access all relevant information in a safe environment.
- Reliability – Infrastructure and devices fully working during prioritised periods of use.

We require a Network Manager to strategically lead this budget and enhance the ICT provision across the Academy. Our ICT strategy is to work towards Anytime, Anywhere, Anydevice learning.

This post was previously occupied by a long standing member of staff with knowledge and skills across the network setup, they were hands on and kept downtime of the system to an acceptable minimum. The successful candidate must be able to demonstrate that they have good knowledge of key systems and limit downtime during teaching time. They must also demonstrate how they can develop our systems and have a positive impact on teaching and learning across the Academy.

The Academy is currently investigating the possibility of becoming a Multi Academy. This could provide the successful candidate with an opportunity to manage and develop ICT networks across multiple sites.

This post requires someone who can:

- Communicate effectively with all users of the network
- Has the experience and knowledge to work to tight deadlines and reduce down times
- Understands the requirements for Teaching and Learning and the impact IT can have
- Has a good understanding and knowledge around the current Academy infrastructure and future developments



The Current Academy Setup:

- Microsoft environment (Microsoft virtual servers on XenServer, Office, SQL (SSRS Reporting), Active directory)
- Dell Servers running Citrix XenServer
- Cisco managed switches
- Cisco Wifi
- Cisco Unified IP Phone system
- SAN/NAS Storage
- Fibre backbone and CAT 6 cabling
- Smoothwall firewall
- ZEN Works deployment
- Sophos Antivirus
- Progresso MIS
- Firefly VLE

Future Plans Include:

- Windows 10 deployment
- Office 365
- BYOD
- Backups

The current ICT Support Team is made up of:

Network Manager – Vacancy

Web and VLE Developer

IT Support Officer

Apprentice ICT Technician