

School of Sport and Uniformed Protective Services

Programme Area Leader (Uniformed Protective Services)

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Cronton Sixth Form College is an outstanding (Ofsted 2024) highly popular and successful sixth form college conveniently located in Widnes and at the hub of the Mersey Gateway, within easy reach of Liverpool, Manchester and Chester. Cronton Sixth Form College currently caters for over 3,000 16-18 students, the majority of whom are studying at Level 3 on either A Level or Vocational programmes.

The successful candidate will work with talented and supportive colleagues in a very friendly environment and with a genuinely supportive management team which is committed to putting teaching and learning first. Our students have achieved exceptional results, with a record number of our students progressing to university, apprenticeships or full-time positions within Uniformed Protective Services. This achievement illustrates the dedication by all the members of the Cronton team to inspire, develop and instil a strong work ethic within our students.

The college was inspected in April 2024 under the Riverside College name and achieved the highly prestigious Grade 1 Outstanding recognition, making the college one of only 5 FE colleges nationwide achieving Grade 1 Outstanding twice in a row. We were also highly commended in the Employer of the Year Category at the Halton Business Awards in June 2023. After a meticulous review of the College, inspectors made the following judgements: We were also highly commended in the Employer of the Year Category at the Halton Business Awards in June 2023.

OVERALL EFFECTIVENESS	OUTSTANDING
The quality of education	Outstanding
Behaviour and attitudes	Outstanding
Personal development	Outstanding
Leadership and management	Outstanding
Education programmes for young people	Outstanding
Provision for learners with high needs	Good
Adult learning programmes	Outstanding
Apprenticeships	Outstanding



What is it like to work at Cranton Sixth Form College?

Inspectors said:

"Senior leaders and managers have a very clear rationale for their aspirational curriculums. "

"Leaders carefully consider the courses they provide for students, apprentices and those who have high needs."

"They have a strong sense of community and are passionate to provide life-changing opportunities for young people and adults, many from disadvantaged backgrounds, to achieve their personal and career goals."

"Staff feel appreciated for the contribution they make to the college."

"Students and apprentices enjoy their learning at Riverside and Cranton Sixth Form College. They display extremely positive attitudes and would recommend the college to friends, family and peers."

The School of Sport and Uniformed Protective Services offers the following courses:

Sport - BTEC Level 1 Diploma

Sport Level 2 First Extended Certificate

Sport BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma

Sport Level 3 Extended Certificate – (Part of the A Level Programme)

Foundation Degree in Sports Coaching (FdSc)

BA (Hons) Sports Coaching and Sport Development (top up)

Public Services - BTEC Level 1 Diploma

Public Services - Level 2 First Extended Certificate

Uniformed Protective Services - BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma



Outstanding Results 2024:

- 99% A Level Pass Rate
- 99% Level 3 Pass Rat, 100% in 29 A Levels
- 100% in 20 Vocational Subjects (including BTEC and UAL)

The school of Sport and Uniformed Protective Services has achieved excellent results in 2023/24 and is continually growing as a department in relation to its provision, facilities and courses that meet the needs of the local community and industry. This post is aimed at an inspirational Programme Area Leader for Public Services who has a history and wealth of experience supporting learners in educational environments.

This person will be an inspirational Teacher with exceptional Leadership Skills with an ability to provide high levels of pastoral support to encourage learners to achieve grade profiles higher than minimum target grades formulated from previous academic success. The successful candidate will work with talented and co-operative colleagues and supportive management with Teaching, Pastoral Support and Programme Area Leadership at its heart to ensure significant outcomes for learners.

The courses within the school offer a wide variety of enrichment activities which include national and international trips (AOC Regional/National events, Barcelona/Italy/France/New York/ Krakow/Lake District Residential, Mountain Biking & Paddle Boarding), where students are given the opportunity to enhance their knowledge and understanding of Uniformed Protective Services provision and curriculums.

Opportunities for research, which supports many of the courses within the school, are particularly relevant and current. Students are visited by guest speakers from various organisations and public services, who often set workshops and assignments based on current issues throughout the curriculum areas. Close links have been made with many key providers and universities within the area; including Staffordshire University, Chester University, Tracs Delamere, Army, Royal Navy Widnes Vikings, Halton Sport Development, AOC Sport, Cheshire & Merseyside Police, Cheshire Fire and Rescue, NHS, Voluntary Organisations and local Primary and Secondary Schools.

The school runs a gifted and talented Centre of Sporting Excellence programme that Uniformed Protective students can access; students also have opportunities to attain the Duke of Edinburgh qualifications. The Centre of Sporting Excellence provision provides students with opportunities to access regular competition in: Netball/Football/Rugby/Basketball/AOC Competitions/Coaching Master Classes/Gym Based Conditioning.

This post offers an excellent opportunity for a talented, creative, and innovative Teacher with the skills and dedication to lead a high performing team through effective Programme Area Leadership. The successful applicant will have the skill set and desire to enthuse and inspire students to achieve academic excellence.



Cranton Sixth form College is committed to:

Providing learning experiences of outstanding quality

Investing in teaching, learning and assessment

Offering students distinctive and valuable opportunities to develop personally, professionally and academically.

Offering an Oxbridge programme in partnership with local high schools

Supporting every individual student to reach their full potential.

Seeking opportunities for growth

Continuous investment in estates and facilities, including the IDEA Centre, Cranton Playhouse and New Sport Block.

Thank you for your interest in Cranton Sixth form College. If you would like further information or an informal discussion please contact Iain Douglas, Head of Department for Sport, Public Services and Vocational Science on 0151 257 2800.

