

DOMINICAN COLLEGE PORTSTEWART

Dominican College Portstewart is a Catholic Co-Educational Voluntary Grammar School catering for 600 11-18 year old pupils. It is unique amongst Catholic Grammar Schools in N. Ireland in that it attracts significant numbers of students from other Christian denominations. Its students come not only from Portstewart but also from a range of towns and villages stretching up to twenty miles away.

The school has entered a period of expansion due to the closure of St Joseph's College in Coleraine and will, over the course of the next two years, become a non-selective, all ability Grammar School. There is a fortnightly timetable with 5 classes per day except for 2 days which have 6 classes. All teachers are expected to contribute to and participate in the communal and extra-curricular life of the school.

Our school web-site www.dcpni.net gives a fuller picture of various aspects of our school.

TEACHER OF SCIENCE to GCSE level

This is a temporary full-time post from 1st September 2019.

All students at Dominican College take Science throughout Key Stage 3, Science Double Award or Science Single Award for GCSE and following Science Double Award can choose Biology, Chemistry or Physics for AS and A level.

It is envisaged that the person appointed will teach Key Stage 3 Science and Mathematics and Science Single Award GCSE. The timetable for 2019-20 will be finalised after interview.

The successful candidate will be expected to contribute to the wider life of the school in a meaningful way. Ability and willingness to coach or be involved in after school sport would be an advantage as would an ability and willingness to add to current extracurricular provision in other areas of school life.

Personal

The person appointed will be a good communicator, able to motivate students and enthuse them in their study of Science. He / she will be well organised and will have a clear focus on high quality learning and teaching. He / she will be able to demonstrate a clear commitment to and enthusiasm for the subject and for development of the wider life of the school.

NB All applications must be received at Dominican College by noon Friday 31st May 2019. Late applications, faxed applications or e-mailed applications will not be accepted.

It is intended that interviews will be held on Friday 7th June.

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Essential Criteria

All applicants are expected to uphold the values contained in the aims of the school and to support and promote its ethos.

1. Applicants must, by 30th June 2019, hold a teaching qualification recognised by the Department of Education.
2. Applicants must, by the closing date of application, hold a suitable* good honours degree (2:2 or higher)

**A suitable degree is either honours in a Science or an honours degree in a cognate subject*

Desirable Criteria

Preference may be given to applicants who:

- 1 Can demonstrate through their application form that they have taught Science at Key Stage 3 for not less than three months continuously within the past three years.
- 2 Can demonstrate through their application form that they have taught Science Single Award to GCSE level for not less than three months within the past three years.
- 3 Hold a suitable* good honours degree (2:1 or higher) and / or hold a relevant post-graduate qualification at diploma or higher level (excluding a teaching qualification which is already covered by essential criterion 1).
- 4 Can demonstrate through their application form the experience and / or qualifications, interest and ability to coach or lead one or more of the following after school sports: gaelic games, football, netball, athletics, badminton; and / or an ability and willingness to contribute to the extracurricular provision in science throughout the school.

The college reserves the right to enhance these criteria for the purpose of short-listing.