



JOB DESCRIPTION



Job Title	Participation Officer, Armagh GAA
Hours	39 hours per week
Contract	12-month 'pilot' with a view to extend The successful candidate will be an employee of Armagh GAA
Responsible to	Principal
Accountable to	Principal / Coaching sub-committee / Armagh GAA
Location:	St. Ronan's College, Lurgan
Salary:	Band 1 (£20,426 - £25,925)
PURPOSE OF POST The purpose of the post is to lead the planning and implementation of a sports development programme for the successful promotion of Gaelic football within St Ronan's College in partnership with Armagh GAA.	

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

PRIMARY DUTIES

The main duties will include:

1. To ensure pupils within the school are provided with opportunities to participate in Gaelic games for school teams in meaningful competitive competitions and to ensure these teams are coached to the highest of standards on a weekly basis throughout the school year.
2. To lead coaching and player skill development initiatives appropriate to the age and ability of the various playing groups within the school.
3. In conjunction with Armagh County Board plan, implement and review individual player development including those in the Orchard Academy through activities such as strength and conditioning and nutritional programmes.
4. To manage players health and well-being, in particular the commitments of elite dual players.
5. To develop an interschool competition to provide recreational games to all pupils using the 'Super 9s' model.

6. To develop and manage a strong link with our feeder primary schools and feeder clubs, to create a hub of Gaelic games development activity in the area.
7. To manage all school GAA coaches and promote their individual coach development programmes as appropriate.
8. In conjunction with Armagh County Board lead courses and workshops to assist with the development of Coaches within the school.
9. To create a meaningful outreach programme for the local feeder primary schools and clubs to assist with future pupil player development.
10. To incorporate GAA development camps (Easter and Summer) into the school calendar of events working alongside the Armagh County Board to support player development on and off the pitch. Interact with Armagh GAA academy programmes and Croke Park initiatives during these periods.
11. To monitor and evaluate the project and in particular, prepare and present reports, publicity material and presentations on the project as required.
12. To attend meetings, coaching seminars, training sessions and matches as required.
13. To interact with key partners such as the GAA, Armagh County Board and local feeder clubs and primary schools to ensure the successful achievement of the project.
14. To keep abreast of current and emerging trends and development within sports development in general and Gaelic games specifically.
15. To undertake training and development relevant to the post.

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- To carry out duties as may be required from time to time commensurate with the overall responsibility of the post.
- To comply and actively promote school policies, including Equal Opportunities and Health and Safety.
- To ensure they support and promote the ethos of the school as well as promoting Armagh County Board

Review arrangements

The details contained in this job description reflect the content of the job at the date it was prepared. However, it is inevitable that, over time, the nature of the jobs may change. Existing duties may no longer be required and other duties may be gained without changing the general nature of the post or the level of responsibility entailed. Consequently, the school will expect to revise the job description from time to time and will consult with the post holder at the appropriate time.

Posts involving work with children and young people in educational institutions are subject to the provisions of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (NI) Order 2007.

With effect from 1 April 2011 the Department of Education ceased to fund pre-employment checks carried out by AccessNI. As a result, any applicant offered paid employment in regulated activity from this date will be required complete an enhanced disclosure certificate (EDC). AccessNI regulations do not allow for individuals to apply directly to AccessNI for an EDC therefore applications must continue to be made through the registered body (Ulster GAA)