

Curriculum Leader - Physics

OVERVIEW

Rangitoto College seeks to appoint a Curriculum Leader in Physics with responsibility for leading all physics programmes within the College.

CORE COMPETENCIES

- 1. Excellent leadership skills
- 2. Strong knowledge of NCEA
- 3. Highly effective team building and interpersonal skills
- 4. A first rate understanding of excellent, evidence based, classroom practice

BEHAVIOURS

- 1. Clear and calm communication
- 2. Team player who can motivate and inspire others
- 3. Strong commitment to improving student achievement outcomes
- 4. High degree of professionalism

DELIVERABLES

Commitment to developing the Physics programmes within the Rangitoto College to ensure excellent outcomes for our students

Working with the HOD Science and key stakeholders to place the school as a leader in New Zealand education

KEY TASKS AND ACTIONS

Working with the HOD, Science

Be responsible to the HOD of the Science Department.

Participate in departmental curriculum managers' meetings.

Participate in overseeing the professional growth cycle for physics staff.

Seek advice from the HOD when necessary and keep HOD informed of issues arising in Physics.

Support the HOD Science in the running of the Department and in positively supporting the overall Department and school wide goals

Curriculum Delivery and Management

Be an expert teacher of Physics and demonstrate best teaching pedagogy

Take responsibility for managing and administering the Physics curriculum at Years 12-13. Including support of the Year 11 Physics programme and scholarship.

Work with I.B Physics teachers in terms of equipment, resources and support. Develop a sound understanding of the IB programme.

Liaise with Curriculum Managers of Junior Science regarding the development of Physics Curricula in the Junior Science programme

Promote quality teaching and enhanced learning opportunities to maximise student achievement and engagement

Keep up-to-date with NCEA curriculum changes and examiners reports

Put in place careful and appropriate moderation procedures and keep records of moderation as needed for school records, ERO etc

Be responsible for all aspects of the Physics Department mark-book

Take an active interest in developments in Physics through communication with other Physics teachers locally through cluster meetings, and nationally via TKI, and through the National Association of Physics Educators

| Professional Leadership and Working with Staff | Provide leadership, vision and setting of goals for the Physics Department |
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| | Effectively represent and communicate to the teaching staff responsible for Y11-13, the goals of the Physics Department |
| | Provide effective advice and guidance to members of the Department responsible for the delivery of the Years 11-13 Physics curriculum |
| | Regularly seek out and speak to staff to ensure communication channels are kept open |
| | Support and reinforce a positive work environment for staff |
| | Deal constructively and positively with staff issues as they arise, deferring to the HOD or Assistant HOD for assistance when needed |
| | Hold regular staff meetings to ensure communication channels are kept open |
| | Promote and manage continued development and sharing of resources |
| | Promote quality teaching and enriched learning opportunities |
| | Promote trips and speakers to enhance the value of the curriculum |
| Budget Management | Take responsibility for budget management within Physics including the preparation and monitoring of the budget. |
| | Maintain appropriate accounting systems. |
| Professional Development | Positively support the importance of Professional Development |
| | Provide opportunity for discussion and review of schemes of work, curriculum delivery and effective pedagogical practice amongst staff |
| | Take part in appropriate Professional Development, both internal and external, to enhance and up-skill expertise in relevant areas of the curriculum |
| | Attend professional development support groups outside of school. |
| | Be willing to develop and upgrade technology skills as required. |

| Assessment and Statistical Analysis | Provide HOD with analysis of staff and student performance to help improve student outcome | |
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| | Check whether NCEA results are comparable with/better than the national average. | |
| | Look at student performance to identify underachievers and determine if the course is meeting student needs. | |
| | Ensure appropriate procedures are in place for internal assessments. | |
| | Produce an annual report on the Physics Department to feed into the overall Department report | |
| Personal Qualities | Presents as a consummate professional, who is ethical, honest and respectful of confidentiality | |
| | Is positive, enthusiastic, constructive and supportive of the school. Is available to staff and is a good listener. | |
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| | Maintains good attendance | |
| | Is prepared to try something new and/or encourage others to do so. | |
| | Is willing to accept responsibility | |

Reports to: HOD Science

2 MU's, permanent

Time allocation - 2.4 hours release time per 6 day cycle

| CURRICULUM LEADER PHYSICS (NAME) | DATE |
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| PRINCIPAL (Patrick Gale) | DATE |