

TECHNICIAN FOR ART, DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY – OCTOBER 2026

We are seeking to appoint an organised, practical and enthusiastic Technician for Art, Design & Technology to join our Academic team at Ackworth School.

This is an exciting opportunity for someone with experience in a relevant technical or workshop environment to provide essential technical support across our Art and Design Technology departments. Working closely with teaching staff and students, you will help ensure that lessons are well prepared, equipment is safe and maintained, and practical activities can take place effectively.

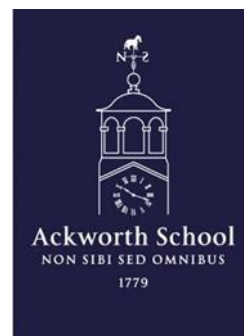
Ackworth School, a co-educational boarding and day school, was founded in 1779 by the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). It maintains its ethos and traditions and is still governed by the Society. The school is academically non-selective and provides an excellent range of facilities and co-curricular opportunities, recently achieving fantastic feedback in the ISI inspection (January 2026). The Head is a member of both HMC and the Society of Heads.

The Design Technology department has two workshops and two classrooms, including a computer suite, alongside connected storage and preparation facilities. The Art department includes a range of specialist spaces, including a print room, darkroom, kiln room and sixth form art studio.

As Technician, you will provide technical advice and practical assistance within Art and the DT workshop, supporting teaching staff and students with learning activities, including individual and small group support where appropriate. You will also play an important role in ensuring that equipment is maintained, repaired and kept in good working order, with responsibility for Health & Safety and the completion and recording of necessary checks.

The role will include preparing resources and equipment for lessons, constructing teaching aids such as jigs, moulds and formers, supporting practical activities, ordering and managing stock, checking deliveries and maintaining appropriate records. You will also undertake routine maintenance, cleaning, calibration and testing of workshop equipment, manage the extraction system and support school events such as set design and prop manufacture for productions.

We are looking for someone who is efficient, meticulous and practical, with experience of working within a relevant discipline in a Technology workshop or similar environment.



You will have good communication, numeracy and literacy skills, the ability to work independently and use your initiative, and a strong understanding of personal responsibility for Health & Safety. Experience of working in a school or similar setting, knowledge of COSHH and relevant legislation, and the ability to operate specialist equipment and ICT resources would be advantageous.

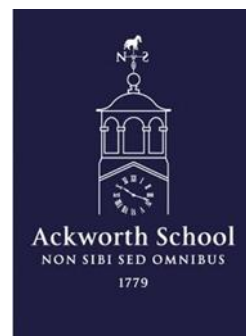
As a non-selective school, we offer a broad education that supports all abilities. Our small class sizes mean that our teachers can dedicate more time to deliver a rich curriculum, allowing all pupils to make progress. Our pupils are one of Ackworth's USP's. Visitors to the school never fail to acknowledge how amazing they are and how positive the encounter is. This is something that makes a career at Ackworth such a rewarding one.

As a relatively small school, around 430 pupils in total, we enable pupils and staff to immediately become part of our community and we hope that, if this role is something that resonates with your skills and values, you will become a key part of the Ackworth School community.

The salary for this role is £19,175.99 (£25,180.59 FTE) based on working Monday – Friday, 35 hours a week, term-time only (34 weeks per year).

In return we offer:

- a generous fee remission of 50% for the children of our staff.
- all food and refreshments during the working day.
- free on-site parking.
- flexible pension and wellbeing benefits.
- 34 working weeks
- a supportive and friendly environment based on the Quaker ethos of the school.
- a beautiful working location in an ideal location within easy travelling distance of the main centres of Sheffield, Leeds, Doncaster and York.



Completed school application forms should be submitted with a cover letter of no more than one page and should be sent by email to: jobs@ackworthschool.com

Closing Date: Monday 12th October at 9:00 a.m.

Interviews will be held Wednesday 14th October. We reserve the right to see candidates prior to the closing date so early application is recommended.

Applicants should read carefully the Recruitment, Selection and Disclosure Policy. Our recruitment privacy notice is also available on our website within "Working For Us".

Ackworth School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and all applicants will undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers and an enhanced DBS and Barred list check with Disclosure and Barring Service. Applicants should also be in sympathy with the School's Quaker ethos.

For an informal and confidential discussion, please contact Ellie Spendlove on 01977 233600 or ellie.spendlove@ackworthschool.com