**Stamford Park Trust Academic Mentoring Scheme**

**What is the scheme about?**

Stamford Park Trust Academic Mentoring Scheme has been designed to support students across our Secondary schools, to make improvements to their academic outcomes in the areas of English, maths and science, and optional subjects such as Geography, History and MFL.

ASFC Academic mentors will work alongside teachers to help, support and mentor students who may be facing challenges in these subject areas. The academic mentors may undertake a variety of tasks including supporting with reading interventions, supporting students in class, on a one to one basis or as part of a smaller group to understand a particular maths or science concept, support their development of key geographical or historical understanding or help to improve their language skills.

The aim of the scheme is for secondary students to be supported with their learning by a peer whom they can relate to and understand in a more relaxed learning environment.

Academic mentors can choose which school they would prefer to undertake their voluntary placement: Fairfield High School for Girls, Longdendale High School or Rayner Stephens High School. **Please indicate which school you would prefer to work with in your application.** **All sessions will take place on a Wednesday in the school.**

Full training on how to be an effective academic mentor in your chosen subject, alongside basic safeguarding in schools training. Academic mentors will be provided with a key member of staff in each school who will act as their school’s link. In addition, all academic mentors will undergo a DBS check to allow mentors to work with young people. The safeguarding training and DBS check must be completed before any mentoring work commences with the schools.

**Sessions will take place every Wednesday during term time at each school. This could be a full day or part of a day; the co-ordinator at each school will discuss this with you.**

**What will Academic Mentors do?**

You will be able to choose which curriculum area you would like to support from either English, maths, science, geography, history or MFL (you may choose more than one if you would like to)

**In each session, you may:**

* Act as a coach or mentor to an individual student or a group of students
* Help students with specific tasks and study materials
* Support students to stay on task and focussed, and to work at their own pace
* To present and explain concepts and problems to individuals or groups of students to help them understand set tasks
* Spend time listening to a student read and help them improve their reading skills

**We are looking for students who:**

* Are currently enrolled on a full-time course at Ashton Sixth Form College
* Are able to speak positively and enthusiastically about their student experiences
* Enjoy working with others
* Have good interpersonal and communication skills
* Enjoy meeting new people
* Are willing to work during their free college time and study day and occasionally outside normal ASFC student hours
* Students from all school backgrounds will be considered, we would particularly welcome application from former students from Fairfield High School for Girls, Rayner Stephens and Longdendale High Schools

**If you are interested**

You will be asked to attend a lunch time meeting with Kim Greeves **on Friday 3 October at 12pm (this will be confirmed by email)**

You will need to attend Safeguarding training at the school you are allocated – date to be confirmed.

You will start on **Wednesday 5 November**

**Still interested?**

Contact Kim Greeves - k.greeves@asfc.spt.ac.uk for an application pack.

**A1 ACADEMIC MENTORING SCHEME**

**PERSON SPECIFICATION:**

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| **JOB TITLE: Stamford Park Trust Academic Mentor****Applicant Note:** You must list **ALL** relevant qualifications on your application, including any **equivalent** qualifications, together with grades. Failure to do this will result in applicants **not** being shortlisted. |
|  | **ESSENTIAL** | **DESIRABLE** |
| **QUALIFICATIONS & AWARDS** | * Working towards a full-time qualification at level three with Ashton Sixth Form College
* GCSE grade 6 or higher in the subject area or areas you would like to support in
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| **EXPERIENCE, SKILLS** **& KNOWLEDGE** | * Effective oral and written communication skills
* Be able to work effectively as part of a team or individually
* Be able to work on your own initiative
* Presentation and public speaking skills

**You will need to be:*** Confident and articulate
* Able to talk positively about your experience of studying GCSE
* Patient and supportive at all times
 | * Experience of student leadership such as a prefect, peer mentor or school / college volunteer
* Experience of organising and/or leading workshops/activities
* IT Skills
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| **OTHER REQUIREMENTS** | * Able to get to your school of choice either by your own transport or public transport
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Please return your completed application form to Kim Greeves **k.j.greeves@asfc.spt.ac.uk** **by Tuesday 23 September 2025.**