

Learning Support Assistant (EAL)

Amity International School Amsterdam seeks to appoint an outstanding Learning Support Assistant with an EAL focus to join our inspirational, committed and successful team immediately on a zero hour contract for approximately 20 hours per week.

Who are Amity? Established more than 25 years ago, the not-for-profit Amity Education Group has an enrolment of 150,000 students, 4500 faculty, 17 top-ranked schools and pre-schools, 5 universities with campuses in Dubai, Abu Dhabi, India, London, Singapore, Mauritius, China and Romania, offering globally benchmarked education from nursery to Ph.D. level. Amity International School Amsterdam is the company's flagship European school.

Amity International School Amsterdam is an educational institution in a scale-up phase. Whilst having big ambitions for the future, the school is operating on a small scale at the present time. Our vision is, 'Empowering each individual to thrive and make a positive difference'.

Learning Support Assistants:

The main role of the EAL Learning Support Assistant (LSA) is to provide support for pupils who are learning English as an additional language, along with pupils who have been identified as having special educational needs. Under teacher guidance, the LSA will implement English language instruction to facilitate better access to the language and curriculum. The LSA will ensure that the pupil can integrate as fully as possible in the activities generally undertaken by the other children in the class while ensuring the student's individual learning needs are being met.

Learning Support Assistants at Amity International School are committed to:

Supporting the Pupil:

- Develop a trusting, supportive relationship with the pupil and an understanding of the specific language or special educational needs of the pupil.
- Encourage independence and inclusion for the pupil in all areas of school life while supporting all aspects of learning.
- Under the guidance of the SEN teacher with the class teachers, implement language instruction (and if applicable the IEP provisions, including specially designed instruction).
- Under the guidance of the SEN teacher, with the class teachers, research and develop materials in alignment with the general curriculum (and IEP goals of the pupil, if applicable).
- Under the guidance of the SEN teacher, record the pupil's progress.
- Provide support and encourage interaction of the pupil with peers in the classroom and around school.
- Under the guidance of the SEN teacher, complement the therapy(ies) advised by external experts (if applicable).

Supporting the Class Teacher and Learning Support Team:

- Follow established procedures for communication with the class teachers, SEN teacher, parents/carers, and related specialists about the pupil's progress and areas of need.
- Use the understanding of the language or specific special educational needs of the pupil to contribute to planning and provide feedback to promote inclusion and pupil progress.
- Participate in meetings with the parents/carers, Learning Support Team, and class teacher.

General School Expectations:

- Embody and uphold the inclusive philosophy of Amity in all aspects of school life.
- Maintain an appropriate awareness of and work effectively within the policies and procedures of the Learning Support Programme within Amity.
- Operate safely within the workplace and maintain a high standard of professionalism, including confidentiality of information.
- Participate in in-service trainings and professional development as required.
- Contribute to departmental and school meetings as required.

The successful applicant will have a strong understanding of the needs of primary education. He/she will have the capability to deliver a high standard of education aligned with the School's Mission, Vision and Values delivered via the International Baccalaureate's Programme (IB), for which the school is a candidate.

The ideal candidate for this role must have the following skills and experience:

- Understanding of the IB curriculum
- Excellent fluency in English (verbal and written)
- The ability to support and challenge children to achieve the highest academic standards
- Excellent organisational, interpersonal and communication skills
- Able to demonstrate creativity, compassion and a desire to make a difference in the learning of our children
- Values working in a team
- Willingness to partake in professional development sessions
- Participates fully in all aspects of school life within and beyond the classroom
- A role model for the entire school community in terms of school ethos:

Remuneration:

We are offering a competitive salary to successful candidates. If you are located in The Netherlands, internationally minded, permitted to work in the European Union and have the desire to help shape the exciting future of our school, we would be delighted to hear from you.

To apply:

Please click on the APPLY NOW button on our website to complete our online application form and upload your CV and Supporting Statement.

Safeguarding:

Amity Schools are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, volunteers and other third parties to share this commitment. Safer recruitment practice and pre-employment background checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed.

Apply by Monday 26th of October.