

21st October 2021

## **Parent Trustee Vacancy**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to announce that we currently have a vacancy on the Trust Board here at Joseph Leckie Academy for a Parent Trustee. We would be delighted to receive applications or expressions of interest from any parents and carers who have the necessary skills and commitment to successfully support the academy in this very important role.

The Trust Board is made up of Trustees with a wide range of experience and skills and performs a vital role within the academy. The Board is responsible for both the strategic leadership of the academy and ensuring that the highest standards of education are secured. It achieves this by setting a vision for the academy and then building a thorough knowledge of the academy and its community, supporting and constructively challenging academy leaders and by ensuring accountability and compliance.

We are looking for nominations from someone who has parental responsibility for a child at Joseph Leckie Academy. This nomination will ultimately need to be seconded by another parent but please do not let this put you off from expressing an interest. Should we receive more than one nomination for Parent Trustee, then a ballot will be held.

Trustees are not required to have a background in education or any teaching qualification although they are expected to be able to read and understand straightforward budget reports and data on academy standards. Trustees should have an interest in maintaining high standards for the academy as well as an interest in the welfare of its pupils. They should have a willingness to get involved and contribute valuable time, skills and knowledge to assist in making decisions in the best interests of the academy community.

## Our Trust body expects Trustees to:

- Attend three annual meetings of the Full Trust Board
- Be responsible, as a link Trustee, for a particular key area of the academy
- Be part of at least one sub-committee
- Attend academy events
- Commit to attend training courses as required by your role

## In return, our Trust body commits to:

- Provide you with a structured induction
- Provide access to quality training
- Provide you with an experienced Trustee as mentor
- Ensure that you feel valued and supported as a member of Joseph Leckie Academy community and that you gain a sense of satisfaction from fulfilling this very important role



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In seeking new Trustees for the academy we are very keen to appoint people with particular skillsets or experience. We would be particularly keen to appoint someone who has:

- Experience or involvement in change management activities
- Experience of financial planning, monitoring, decision making and compliance in the academy sector
- Knowledge and experience in the field of construction, property and building maintenance
- General experience of human resource (HR) policy and processes or experience that links directly to the academy sector
- General experience of inspection and oversight or experience that links directly to the academy sector

If you feel that you have the relevant skills and experience to make a positive contribution to the work of our Trust Board then we would be delighted to hear from you. We are particularly keen to encourage parents from all backgrounds to consider applying in order to ensure that our Board fully reflects the diversity of our academy population.

If you would like to find out more about how you can contribute to the governance at Joseph Leckie Academy, please email my PA, Mrs S. Richard, on <a href="mailto:s.richards@josepehleckieacademy.co.uk">s.richards@josepehleckieacademy.co.uk</a> with your contact details and a call back can be arranged, or alternatively return the tear off slip below.

This is a very exciting time to be joining us as a Trustee at Joseph Leckie Academy as we continue our journey towards becoming a world class academy.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Ludlow Principal





Nomination Form for Parent Trustee vacancy

	Your name: (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr)
	Contact Details
	Address:
ſ	Tell us a bit about yourself:
	Joseph Leckie Academy is committed to safeguarding and, if elected, all Trustees will have to undergo a pre-appointment DBS check.
	This expression of interest form should be handed in to the office in an envelope marked 'Parent Trustee Election' no later than Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 or alternatively emailed to Mrs S. Richards at the email address above.
	Signed
	Seconded* by: (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr)(Another Parent at Joseph Leckie Academy)
	Address:
	Signed

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