



Are you enthusiastic about education?

Do you have some time to spare?

Are you a member of our local community?

If so, then you may be just the person we need!

We are looking for committed people to join The Viridis Federation Governing Body as **Co-opted Governors**.

We have **two** vacancies in the co-opted governor category and would welcome applications from people with experience in:

- Contract, property and estate management
- Health and Safety

About our Schools

Our successful partnership of schools are based in Hackney, East London with easy transport links into and out of Central London. Our partnership schools are all graded good or outstanding by Ofsted and we are also recognised for the exceptional achievement our pupils make, particularly our disadvantaged pupils.

We provide a broad ranging curriculum, whilst ensuring that children learn to speak, read, write and count at a level which will give every chance of success. Despite their challenging contexts, our schools have established a highly collaborative and successful way of working supported by continual self-evaluation and improvement. We are committed to ensuring that all children get the best possible primary education.

The governing body of our school is made up of parent, staff, local authority and co-opted governors.

Our Governing Body

At Viridis Schools we have one governing body for all three schools. The governing body operate at a strategic level and are not involved in the day-to-day running of the school. They are responsible for both the conduct of the school and for the promotion of high standards. Collectively, they set the vision for the school, ensuring that the school works efficiently and effectively towards achieving its vision, and that the school provides a high quality education and ambition for pupil success.



Knowledge and Skills

Governors need not be experts in the field of education. What they do need is an interest in the school and in the welfare of pupils, together with the time and willingness to get involved.

Soft skills such as the ability to build relationships with a range of people, to be able to work as part of a team, to be able to question, and to make connections between different types of information are desirable. All governors are expected to be able to read budget reports and data on school standards.

Expectations of our Governors

Our Governing Board has certain expectations of governors, which currently are:

- to attend and contribute to a maximum of two meetings a term
- when required, to sit on a panel or working party and attend all associated meetings
- to attend termly governor visit mornings
- to commit to attend training courses
- to comply with the expectations set out in our Code of Conduct

In return, our Governing Board commits to:

- provide you with an experienced governor as mentor
- provide you with a structured induction
- provide access to quality training
- develop your skills in strategic management
- offer you an insight into the wider perspective of the school
- give you the opportunity to make a difference to our school and the outcomes for our pupils

The recruitment process

The recruitment process initially requires you to complete an application form. If shortlisted, you will be invited to a discussion with the Headteacher and Chair of Governors. If successful, there will be a recommendation to and approval by the Governing Body.

Closing date for applications is Friday 22nd January 2021



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