

Becoming a Trustee

Thank you for your interest in becoming a trustee at the Blue Kite Academy Trust in Swindon.

There are currently 9 schools within the trust – Abbey Meads Primary, Badbury Park Primary, Brook Field Primary, Catherine Wayte Primary, Colebrook Infants, Ferndale Primary, Greenmeadow Primary School, Ruskin Junior and William Morris Primary.

Trustees are collectively responsible for the strategic management of the trust and therefore crucial in ensuring progression and planning for the trust's future. Meeting 6 times a year, the trust board provides challenge and support to the Chief Executive Officer, oversees the budget and ensures that the vision is fulfilled. It's an exciting and varied role, with substantial benefits for the volunteer.

Trustees are also expected to sit on at least one of the committees which meet between 4 and 6 time a year, these are Education, Standards and Strategy, Finance, Staffing and Culture and Risk, Audit, Health and Safety and Premises.

Governance is a good opportunity for personal development - volunteers can be certain of developing new skills and gaining a broad knowledge of areas such as HR, finance and of course, the education system. The Blue Kite Academy Trust also provides a comprehensive training package, so there is plenty of opportunity to make the most of the role.

More than this though, school governance is a chance to make a substantial difference to the lives of local children

A role description is available below to give a broader understanding of what is required and you do need to be aware of the disqualifications that will prohibit you from becoming a trustee.



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Disqualifications for
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Please note that should you wish to become a trustee you will be required to complete a DBS check (Disclosure and Barring Scheme) in order to check that you do not have a criminal record.

If you are still interested in becoming a trustee then please email Anna Richardson, Head of Governance to arrange an informal meeting to discuss further and ask any questions.

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