



## TRUSTEE VACANCIES

The Heath Family Multi Academy Trust is currently seeking to appoint a number of new Trustees to support the delivery of the Trust's Strategy. We are therefore looking for high-calibre individuals, from diverse backgrounds, who are passionate about improving the education and life chances of all children.

### About The Heath Family

The Heath Family became a Multi Academy Trust in 2013 and since then has grown to operate eight schools; 3 secondary schools and 5 primary schools. All eight schools are located in the North West of England; 4 in Halton, 2 in Knowsley and 2 in Sefton.

### The Heath Family, who we are:

*Our Aim:* to maximise attainment and nurture confident, resilient and compassionate individuals.

*Our Vision:* to empower our children to overcome barriers, be able to compete with the best and shape the future.

*Our Values:* to behave with Kindness, Integrity and Tenacity.

### About the Role/Vacancies

The Trust Board are currently in a position to look at developing and further strengthening its skills/experience base.

The Trust Board is therefore looking to appoint:

- at least one high-level finance/accountancy professional, who has the skills and experience to support the Board in its key function of overseeing the financial performance of the Trust and ensuring its money is well spent. A background in Academy Trust finance would be particularly attractive, however we would also welcome applications from high-level finance professionals from other sectors
- at least one educationalist, who will help to ensure the Board has the right people in place to develop an outstanding curriculum based on the objective that all students achieve their best and acquire the skills and knowledge needed to prepare them for the next steps on their learning journey and beyond.
- Trustees who possess expertise in general business management, to further support the Trust as it progresses and maintains its purpose of delivering the best educational opportunities and experiences for all its children, regardless of background or disadvantages. Whilst not an essential requirement the Trust would be especially interested in applicants with a HR and/or Legal background.

### Time Commitment

Trustees should be available to attend for 6 Board meetings (2 hrs each) and for 3-4 Committee meetings (1.5 hrs each) per year. Currently we have two Committees (Business, Finance & Audit and Education & Standards) and Trustees will be invited to join one Committee depending on their skills and interests.

Trustees are likely to need to devote around 4-5 hours per month (on average) for meetings which would include all preparation as well as occasional training. The trust also operates a system of link-trustees. It is not essential for all trustees to be linked to a school, but this can be arranged for those with particular interests. It can be useful to make occasional visits to a school to see how the trust's policies impact pupils and staff directly.

### To Apply

If you are interested in applying for any of these roles please contact Trish Roberts, Trust Governance Manager. (E: [troberts@theheathfamily.org.uk](mailto:troberts@theheathfamily.org.uk) T: 01928 249284). Also, if you would like to arrange an informal conversation with the Chair of the Board/CEO prior to applying please contact Trish and she will arrange.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** In the interests of safeguarding and in accordance with DfE requirements, all trustee appointments will be subject to an enhanced disclosure and barring service check and other relevant safeguarding checks.