

Friday 13th January 2023

Staff Governor Vacancy

Dear Staff Member,

We currently have a vacancy for a Staff Governor on the School Committee and are seeking nominations for an enthusiastic and committed staff member to join our dedicated team.

At **Royal Greenwich Trust School**, we always aim for positive and purposeful partnerships with our staff, which undoubtedly bring important benefits to the students and local communities. An additional way that you can help further is to volunteer as a Staff Governor on the local School Committee.

Staff Governors are welcomed as valued members of the team and play a vital role in ensuring the School Committee is aware of the views of staff. It is important to understand that the Staff Governor role is not to act as a spokesperson for the wider staff community or for individual staff members but to provide a staff perspective to the discussions at the School Committee, working strategically with the Headteacher and others to promote high standards.

There are no qualifications required for the role and any staff member is eligible to be nominated, as long as they do not meet any of the disqualification criteria set out in Document 01A and are employed by the Trust at the school.

It is important to understand the role of Staff Governor as well as the associated responsibilities and commitments required before nominating yourself for the position.

The core functions of the governing board are to:

- provide local oversight
- ensure that local actions and decisions align to the overall Trust vision, ethos and strategic direction.
- holding senior leaders to account for the educational performance of the organisation, its pupils, and the performance management of staff.
- working with the local community with the school as a key focal point.

The term of office for all elected Staff Governors is four years.

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The School Committee usually meet 6 times a year and all meetings are held at the school. If needed, additional meetings will be planned with, unless there are extraordinary circumstances, seven days' notice given.

Staff Governors are encouraged to support school events, where possible.

We offer new governors a comprehensive and supportive induction including a wide suite of online training resources and there are occasional requirements to attend training relating to the role.

If you are interested in becoming a Staff Governor you can do so by completing the attached document 01B. This nomination form is also available on the school website and via the school office. Each nominee must also provide a supporting statement that can be used as part of the election process. Further details can be found on the Nominations Form.

Please submit your nomination by noon on **Friday 27th January 2023**.

You may submit the nominations by any of the following methods;

- Hand delivery to Jo Ripton, Head of School Administration.
- Email submission to **Ripton.J@rgtrustschool.net**

Should you have any questions about the role or would like to arrange an informal discussion about this opportunity, please do not hesitate to contact the school via Ms J Ripton, Head of School Administration, email: Ripton.J@rgtrustschool.net.

If there are more nominations than vacancies, an election will be held starting on Monday 30th January 2023 and all staff members will be sent a voting paper.

Yours sincerely,

Hilary Orpin

Chair of the School Committee