RICHARD CHALLONER SCHOOL - FOUNDATION GOVERNOR VACANCIES

We have an exciting and rewarding opportunity to join our Board of Governors, as a Foundation Governor. Although we encourage applicants with specialised knowledge in areas such as Education, Finance or Human Resources, it is not essential since training is provided.

What does a Governing Board do - The purpose of Governance is to provide:

• **Strategic leadership**: The Governing Board aids the setting and defining of the school's strategic direction, including its vision and strategic priorities. It establishes and models the school's culture, values and ethos. Students, both current and future are at the forefront of decision-making, with the principles of those who have gone before. The aim to provide an outstanding and inclusive education as well as opportunities for wider curriculum to develop the whole individual.

• **Accountability and assurance**: The Governing Board has robust effective oversight of the operations and performance of the school, including the provision of education, student welfare, overseeing and ensuring appropriate use of funding and effective financial performance, keeping the school's estate secure and well-maintained. As well as consideration for the environment and sustainability for the future.

• **Strategic engagement**: The Governing Board has strategic oversight of strong relationships with stakeholders to allow for decision making. The Governing Body receives feedback from parents, pupils via the school parliament, from other schools, the local authority and from our local community.

What we are looking for

Contrary to popular belief, you do not have to be a parent or otherwise associated with the school in order to serve as a governor. However, to fulfill the vacancy you must be Catholic.

Benefits of becoming a Governor

Governors receive their induction and continuous training in order to fulfil their Governor role. The benefit as a volunteer is to make a difference in your local community, the satisfaction of making decisions with the best interests of the students in mind. The term of office is for four years.

About our School

Richard Challoner School is an outstanding Catholic School for boys aged 11-16, with a thriving mixed Sixth Form. Students make excellent progress (top 10% of schools for KS2-KS4 progress & attainment) and demonstrate excellent behaviour for learning. We are part of the MAT - Christ the Redeemer Trust.

What we require of Governors

Governors are required to attend up to five meetings each year, which are held on Thursday evenings. There are five more Committee meetings on Monday afternoons and an additional training day. Visits as a Governor to see the school in operation through the year are welcome.

Experience tells us that our Governors not only make a significant difference to the school, but also gain much personal and professional satisfaction from the role.

We hope that you will consider becoming a Foundation Governor, we currently have two vacancies. If interested in this voluntary role, please email Heather Fowler – Governance Professional for an application form. Email: clerk@richardchalloner.com or call 020 8330 5947 if you have any questions or wish to find out more. Deadline for applications is Saturday 5th December. However, applications may close early if interest is high…

