



## As a Local Academy Councillor, what will I do?

The Local Academy Council (LAC) has an important role in acting as the eyes and ears for the Trust Board providing important community oversight at a local level of the school's performance, vision and ethos.

As a local academy councillor, you will not be involved with the day-to-day running of the school. Councillors normally attend meetings in the evening, read and comment on reports and visit the schools termly to see first-hand the impact of their work.

More and more schools are working together in multi-academy trusts (MATs) like the Endeavour Learning Trust. The functions and responsibilities of the local academy council are different to the legal responsibilities of the Trust Board, but they still will have a strategic rather than an operational role.

## What's in it for me?

Being part of the Local Academy Council will give you experience of working at a strategic level and the opportunity to learn and practice skills that have a direct relevance to employers. These include:

- data analysis
- building relationships and networks
- effective teamworking
- communication
- problem solving
- influencing/negotiation
- supporting and challenging school leaders

Just as importantly, your involvement and commitment to a local school could make a massive difference to the future of young people and your community. Your input will help the school to improve and its children to get the best education possible.