

## ADVERT: Governor/ Academy Council Member

Ramsden Hall Academy is looking for volunteers to join our friendly local governing board/academy council. This is a great opportunity for individuals passionate about education to support their local community; provide support for the school and its school leadership team and help ensure it continues to grow from strength to strength.

### About us:

- Ramsden Hall Academy is a residential special school for boys aged 10 to 16 who have social, emotional and mental health needs.
- Our residential provision is rated outstanding by Ofsted and our school is rated Good.
- We are located just outside Billericay and support boys from across Essex and beyond.

### About the role:

- This is a voluntary position.
- The time commitment required is approximately 20 hours over the academic year. This time is spent preparing for and attending board meetings and visiting the school during the school day.
- The board typically meets three times a year. Meetings are often remote and take place at the end of the school day or early evening. They typically last two hours.
- The board is responsible for strategic oversight of the school, monitoring its performance and providing challenge and support.
- All governors receive training and support.

### About you:

- You must be over 18.
- You do not need to have a background in education.
- You should be enthusiastic with a passion for education and special educational needs.
- You need to be able to think strategically and be comfortable reading reports and asking questions.
- You need to be able to commit to visit the school three times a year during school hours to monitor the school in action and write a report on your findings.

If you would like to find out more or you are interested in becoming a Governor please contact Jane Quilter-HR Operations Manager on telephone: 01277 624580 or email: [jquilter@ramsdenhall.org.uk](mailto:jquilter@ramsdenhall.org.uk), alternatively contact the Chair of Governors at: [rlovatt@ramsdenhall.org.uk](mailto:rlovatt@ramsdenhall.org.uk) for a chat about what is involved.

We invite you to complete the below application form and return this to [jquilter@ramsdenhall.org.uk](mailto:jquilter@ramsdenhall.org.uk) (unaccompanied CVs or third party application forms will not be accepted). We reserve the right to call applicants to interview and appoint, prior to the closing date.

Parallel Learning Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post will be subject to an enhanced disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service.

Closing date for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.