



Become an Academy
Council Member at
Woodhey High School



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At Woodhey High School our vision is:

To be a centre of excellence, where students, staff and the community are proud to work together to broaden our horizons, exceed our aspirations and where everyone achieves their full potential.

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At Woodhey High School, we have two key values that drive our actions, our choices, and our decisions.

These are:

Respect

We treat everyone as we wish to be treated ourselves; we are all part of the same team

Excellence

We strive to be the best we can be at all times; nothing but the best is good enough for us

Underpinning our values are two clear expectations.

These are:

Respect every member of staff and student in our community, following all instructions without answering back

Being excellent by being prepared for, and completing all work to the best of our ability without distracting others

We are a team made up of our staff, our students, our parents and carers, and our wider community. Our vision, values and expectations apply to all of our community.

Teamwork is the secret that makes common people achieve uncommon results (Ifeyanyi Enoch Onuoha)

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What role does an Academy Council undertake?

At Shaw Education Trust our core function of governance is:

“To be responsible for supporting and challenging our Academy and Trust leaders, ensuring that decisions made at a local level are for the benefit of pupils, and directly linked to the strategic vision of the Academy and Trust. To ensure these decisions consider the views of our other stakeholders (parents, staff and local community) and effective communication exists between all. These decisions centre mainly around areas of educational standards & provision, and some operational functions, as detailed in the Delegated Accountability Framework.”

Becoming an Academy Councillor offers you the opportunity to make a real contribution to the life and work of one of our Academies. Councillors (Governors) play a key role in the leadership of the academy and work together with the Principal, the Shaw Education Trust, staff, and other Academy Councillors to ensure that our academy provides a challenging and supportive environment for its pupils.

Commitment of Academy Council members

Academy Councillors are asked to:

- Attend approximately 2-3 meetings a term, which are no longer than two hours in length.
- Prepare for and make an active contribution at meetings of the Academy Council;
- Visit the Academy either during the day or for an evening event to better understand the life of the Academy (with prior arrangement with the Principal);
- Champion the Academy in the local community;
- Familiarise yourself with relevant policies and procedures around governance;
- Participate in relevant training/meetings to enhance your knowledge of the Academy and the world of Education.

What are the benefits of becoming a Councillor?

- You have a privileged and responsible role that matters.
- You can make a difference for children in the local community for years to come.
- You can play an integral part in working for the benefit of all stakeholders of the Academy.
- You will have the chance to develop new skills and to practise existing ones, such as chairing meetings, speaking in groups, asking questions, making suggestions, appointing staff, and monitoring the budget.
- You get to meet like-minded people all passionate about improving the lives of all our children.

Interested in becoming a councillor at Woodhey?

If you are interested in becoming a councillor at Woodhey High School, please get in touch.

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