



Vacancies to Join the board of 2 Outstanding Academies in Bournemouth.

United Learning is a multi-academy trust committed to providing excellent education through which all pupils are able to progress, achieve and go on to succeed in life. Our approach is underpinned by a sense of moral purpose and commitment to doing what is right for children and young people, supporting colleagues to achieve excellence and acting with integrity in all our dealings within and beyond the organisation, in the interests of young people everywhere. We summarise this ethos as ‘the best in everyone’.

Glenmoor and Winton Academies in Bournemouth are part of a southern cluster which includes Cornerstone Academy in Poole and Avonbourne Boys and Girls Academies as well as Avonwood Primary in Southbourne.

We govern across the 2 schools (Glenmoor - girls and Winton - boys) being mindful of our role within the group of schools and within United Learning, we support other schools in our cluster.

One of the first things that our Local Governing Body does, in partnership with the Executive Principal, is to review the skills and experience of the existing membership. A great LGB has individuals who have lots of different skills so that, across the body, all aspects of our responsibilities can be effectively covered. Our LGB currently has 9 people who have expertise in education and learning but we know that we would benefit from a broader perspective. We have a good range of skills however we would love to hear from anyone with a **legal** background. We are also keen to have additional people with an interest in **safeguarding** as this a big area. Looking at how to enhance **parental engagement** and any experience with **special educational needs and mental health** would also be a bonus. Experience in **health and safety and risk management** would also be a useful skill set.

Governing body work, whilst voluntary, can be hugely rewarding and enjoyable. **Our LGB meets once every term for approximately 2 hours on Mondays from 5 -7pm.** We do this via Zoom at the moment but will be mixing face to face and virtual meetings next academic year. We normally play a full part in the life of the school and each member makes **at least one visit to the schools per term.** We also need **occasional availability to sit on panels during working hours on weekdays.** Full training and support will be given by United Learning. Individual governors are also appointed to work on behalf of the governing body as ‘nominated governors’, responsible for a discrete area of focus for example special education needs.

Within United Learning, governors are appointed to serve based upon the skills and expertise that they can offer. The recruitment process involves meeting with the chair, vice-chair and the headteacher and visiting the school during its working day. We will also ask you to complete a skills audit and submit either a CV or biography and 2 character references.

If you are passionate about our schools and keen to support the teachers and leaders to provide the very best educational experience for the children in our care, we want to hear from you! If you are interested in joining us or curious to know whether your experience is what we are looking for, do not hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes



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