

30th September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

The Multi Academy Trust (MAT) Board of Wildern Academy Trust is responsible for both the conduct of the schools in the MAT and for promoting high standards. The Board carries out its role by setting the vision for the school and ensuring the school works efficiently and effectively towards achieving its vision. It does this by building a thorough knowledge of the school and its community, by both supporting and constructively challenging the school, and by ensuring accountability and compliance. The Trust Board of the MAT of our school comprises of Members, Trustees and Local Governors of the Local Governing Body (LGB).

A vacancy has arisen for a Parent Governor on Wildern School's Local Governing Body. To be eligible to apply for this vacancy and be elected or appointed the applicant must be a parent, or an individual exercising parental responsibility, of a registered pupil at one or more of the Academies at the time when he is elected or appointed. [Article 54].

Before you decide to stand, or indeed nominate someone, you may want to know a bit more about what is involved. Applicants need not be experts in the field of education, but do need an interest in the school and in the welfare of our children, as well as the time and willingness to get involved. The skills you have can be very useful for the Governing Body. Applicants also need what is known as 'soft skills', the ability to be able to build relationships with a range of people, to be able to work as a team, to be able to question, support and challenge, and to make connections between different types of information. All those on the Trust Board and LGB are expected to be able to read straightforward reports and data on school standards. If you are someone with the relevant interest and experience, we would like to hear from you.

If you would like to apply please download an application form from Wildern School's website on the Staff Vacancies page and return to Annette Towgood, Clerk to the Trust Board, Wildern School, Wildern Lane, SO30 4EJ or a.towgood@wildern.org by Monday 12th October. We will be holding informal interviews, on a date to be decided, to give those persons interested further details.

If, following this, the number of applications exceeds the number of vacancies an election process will be held.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glenda A. Lane". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line under the name.

Glenda Lane
Chair to the Board of Wildern Academy Trust