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Dear Parent/Carer

Wildern School's Local Academy Committee (LAC) has an exciting opportunity for a parent to join us as a Parent Governor this Summer term, 2025. This is a unique chance to play a vital role in shaping the strategic direction of our school and contributing to the well-being and success of all our students. As a Parent Governor, you will bring a valuable parental perspective to the LAC, working alongside other governors to support and challenge the school leadership team. This role offers a chance to develop new skills, gain insight into the educational landscape, and make a real difference in our school community. Your contribution will be essential in supporting the school's leadership in monitoring school performance, reviewing data, and ensuring compliance with trust policies. This is an opportunity to actively participate in shaping the future of Wildern School.

As a Parent Governor, you will bring a parental perspective to the LAC; however, it is important to note that you will not be speaking "on behalf" of the parent body or addressing individual parent issues. Your role, like that of other governors on the LAC, is to act as an advisory committee to the Trust Board.

While you don't need to be an education expert, you do need an interest in the school, the welfare of the children, and a willingness to get involved. You'll also need "soft skills" such as the ability to build relationships, work as part of a team, question, support, challenge, and interpret information. Reading reports and data on school standards is also expected. Meetings are held once each half term, on a Monday evening, and there are further opportunities/expectations to attend school on other occasions to support the school's work. The term of office is four years. All appointments are subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

The RAISE Education Trust (RET) Board oversees the operation and standards of its schools. The Trust includes Members, Trustees, and Local Governors (from the Local Academy Committees - LACs), all unpaid volunteers who guide the Trust and schools strategically but are not involved in daily operations. The Board sets the vision for the Trust and each school aligns with this vision whilst also ensuring it has its own unique vision and values through its understanding of the school and the community it serves.

All those on the Trust Board and LAC 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 complete an application form on the RAISE Education Trust website here and or for further information please contact Annette Towgood, Governance Professional to the Trust Board at a.towgood@raiseeducationtrust.org by midday Thursday 12^a June 2025. If the number of applications exceeds the number of vacancies an election process will be held and the information you provide on your application form will be used as a personal statement to support the election process.

Yours faithfully

Katie Griffin Chair to the Trust Board











