

WE ARE RECRUITING

Finance Trustee

A qualified accountant, helping us put every pound to work for children.

About the role

All trustees share strategic oversight of the Trust. This appointment holds the Finance portfolio and a seat on our Finance, Audit and Risk Committee.

Our Chief Operating Officer is strategically responsible for the areas below. As the Trustee holding the Finance portfolio, an understanding of them is key:

- Annual budget setting and three-year forecasting
- Statutory accounts and the external audit cycle
- Internal scrutiny, controls and financial assurance
- Compliance with the Academy Trust Handbook
- Reserves, cash flow and capital planning
- Value for money and procurement decisions
- Risk register and financial risk appetite
- Funding for growth and new settings
- Holding senior leaders to account for spending

Who we are looking for

This is a specialist appointment: you must be a **qualified accountant** with current membership of a recognised professional body.

ACA

ACCA

CIMA

CIPFA

ICAS or CAI

Governance experience is not essential. We would particularly welcome:

- Audit, assurance or internal scrutiny
- Charity, public sector or education finance
- Treasury, reserves and capital funding
- Financial risk and compliance
- Chairing a finance or audit committee

Why become our Finance Trustee?

Around 12–15 meetings a year, including Finance, Audit and Risk Committee. Induction, training and support are provided; the role is voluntary and expenses are reimbursed.

- Put your expertise directly behind local schools.
- Work alongside experienced education and business leaders.
- Shape the financial strategy of a growing multi-academy trust.
- Evidence towards your CPD requirements.
- Board experience in a regulated, public-interest setting.

Interested?

If you are a qualified accountant who would like to use your skills to improve educational opportunities for children and young people, we would be delighted to hear from you.

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Expression of Interest: Trustee
Opportunity at The Gateway Trust

