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Dear Candidate

Thank you for your interest in this opportunity to become the new Chief Executive Officer of the Amadeus Primary Academies Trust.

Since the formation of Grant Maintained Schools in 1988, the education landscape has continued to change dramatically and no more so than in 2010 when the new Academies programme was introduced. The Covid pandemic has effectively stalled this, but DfE is once again pushing schools to become academies, not as individual schools but as part of a new or existing Multi-Academy Trust.

Throughout a very challenging 18 months dominated by the pandemic, our 6 primary schools continued to function effectively and, thanks to our dedicated leaders, teaching and support staff, have continued to provide a high standard of education to the 2,500+ children in the communities they serve. When our CEO retires at the end of this year, we will need someone to replace him who can consolidate and improve on this position while readying the Trust for possible future expansion.

The documentation that accompanies this letter includes a formal job description and person specification that can be summarised as follows: we are looking for an exceptional, inspirational, dynamic and passionate CEO who is a strong leader but who recognises the need for consensus wherever possible. The successful candidate will be someone who has children at the heart of every decision and who sees collaborative working across schools as a key element of educational improvement.

The application form invites you to write a personal statement. Please keep this to a maximum of 1500 words. This should include a short section about yourself and what you see as your core skills, and then focus on the impact of your personal achievements within the organisations you have worked for. If these achievements have been the result of a team effort that you led, please say why your personal contribution was significant. Finally, we want to know what motivated you to apply for the position.

We very much look forward to receiving your application.

With best wishes

Paul Allen Chair of Trustees Amadeus Primary Academies Trust 1st September 2021

