



**Chief Financial Officer (CFO)
Required for September 2026
Job Reference Code: FET 025/0105
Full time, permanent
Salary scale: NJC 43 – 46, £54,495 - £57,665 per annum**

Furness Education Trust is a multi-academy trust based in Barrow in Furness, Cumbria serving the Furness community, located near the centre of the historic shipbuilding town, we are close to the southern boundary of the Lake District National Park, making this an ideal location for anyone wishing to work in The Lake District. Currently comprised of seven schools including Furness Academy, Walney School and five primary schools, the Trust aims to develop best practice by collaborating and working together to give the best of everything to every child.

We are looking for a positive, enthusiastic and dedicated professional to work within Furness Education Trust as a Chief Financial Officer (CFO). The CFO will be responsible for the financial development and sustainability of Furness Education Trust and for the financial probity of the whole organisation. They will be responsible for providing the leadership and management of the Trust's finance, Catering and IT functions, enabling the Trust to work effectively towards its aims. The CFO will support the CEO in their role as the Trust's accounting officer.

We are:

- A seven school multi-academy Trust with over 2600 students, four schools rated Ofsted Good and two rated Ofsted Outstanding, with excellent potential for the future;
- A family of schools with a comprehensive intake, playing a key role in our local community and a strong foundation of moral purpose;
- A Trust that has at its heart a sense of ambition and determination to deliver excellent teaching, care and holistic school experience.
- A Trust whose work is underpinned by the values of collaboration, aspiration, excellence and integrity to deliver the best possible education and opportunities for all students.

We will offer you:

- A very welcoming Trust where the development of every person matters.
- Hard-working, committed and aspirational staff and students.
- The whole-hearted support of Furness Education Trust's Leadership Team.
- A welcoming and dedicated Trust Service Management team.
- An extensive employee benefits and rewards package.
- Support to gain professional qualifications

You will:

- Advise the CEO, Board and other Executive Leadership Team on all matters relating to financial strategy and operations.
- Contribute to the development and implementation of the Trust's strategy, providing financial analysis and guidance on all activities, setting financial objectives and monitoring performance.
- Manage the budget process, from planning through to approval, working with the Executive Leadership Team.
- Build leadership and capacity at all levels.

Furness Education Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of its students. All applicants are subject to the requirements of the Safeguarding Children and Safer Recruitment in Education guidelines. This will include checks with past employers and the need for the successful applicant to hold or undergo a suitable enhanced DBS disclosure. This is a permanent post.

**Closing date: 9am Monday 15th June 2026
Shortlisting: Monday 15th June 2026
Interviews: W/C Monday 22nd June 2026**

For further information or enquiries regarding this post, please contact the HR Manager on 01229 484277 or via email to hrrecruitment@furnessacademy.co.uk.