Director of Education

Job description



- 1. Help to identify school improvement needs through regular communication with schools and through the quality assurance (QA) programme and plan the next steps needed to improve schools:
- Have excellent relationships with school leaders and staff across the Trust
- Use these relationships to have a thorough understanding of schools' strengths as well as areas where they need more support
- Make sure QA activities happen according to the QA timetable with appropriate people carrying out the reviews
- Check that the recommendations from each QA activity are acted on in a timely manner
- Ensure the outcomes of QA activities are reported to Trustees and LGBs
- To help plan the subsequent improvement actions identified through QA or through conversations with schools

2. Support schools to improve

- To support schools to improve, directly using own expertise and through brokering support from others
- Oversee the work of Trust Champions
- Ensure the Trust Champions have the appropriate skills
- Ensure the Trust Champions covering the areas needed to ensure high quality school improvement
- Manage the work of the Trust Champions to ensure appropriate and timely placements in schools
- To monitor the implementation of the improvement actions
- 3. Ensure that trust-wide professional development opportunities for teachers are effective:
- Oversee the leadership networks, ensuring there is at least 85% attendance and the meets are valued by subject leads
- Liaise with headteachers to ensure there is an overview of school specific professional development
- Work with the COO to ensure delivery of relevant parts of the People Strategy
- Play a lead role in organising the annual trust-wide training day

4. Maximise pupil outcomes

- Ensure schools engage with and benefit from the Insight and PiXL
- Oversee Assessment Accuracy Checks and ensure 85% attendance of teachers across the Trust
- Ensure there are termly progress checks with each headteacher to monitor progress towards pupil outcome targets

5. Ensure compliance with DfE expectations

 Ensure compliance with websites, music plan, PE and sport, Pupil premium, curriculum and other areas as expectations change

6. Promote the success of Odyssey Collaborative Trust

- Promoting the benefits of being part of the Trust to outside schools
- Developing productive links with civic stakeholders
- Making a significant contribution to the Trust living its agreed culture and achieving its stated vision.
- Be a trusted source of reliable advice and assistance to headteachers and other leaders