# **Job Description**



## **School Improvement Director (Humanities)**

Role: School Improvement Director (Humanities)

Responsible to: School Improvement Lead (Teaching and Learning)

Based at: One of the Northants/MK schools

Hours: Permanent, Full time

Grade: L12 - 16

#### **Job Context**

Tove Learning Trust is a MAT based in Northamptonshire/Milton Keynes but reaches north to the West Midlands. The Northamptonshire/Milton Keynes region (Central region) includes Sponne School in Towcester, Elizabeth Woodville School in Roade and Deanshanger, Rushden Academy, Lord Grey Academy, Wootton Primary School, Knowles Primary School and Water Hall Primary School. One of which is currently rated 'outstanding', one 'good', one 'requires improvement' and four new schools who are currently unrated. All schools would have been expected to have an improving Progress 8 for 2019/20.

The postholder will work with the School Improvement Lead (Teaching & Learning) and school headteachers/principals to ensure that the humanities faculties across the trust are on a trajectory to be judged outstanding in the next few years.

#### **Key Responsibilities**

- To drive school improvement by leading on effective trust-wide teaching and learning strategies in humanities, primarily across the TLT Central region
- To work collaboratively to support headteachers and leadership teams to accurately evaluate the quality of teaching and learning. To derive and implement appropriate support and challenge packages that lead to improved, high quality performance
- To role model best practice as an outstanding teacher, sharing this across the region and working in collaboration with the Teaching School to provide professional development
- To be an active contributor to the School Improvement Director team to ensure consistency in school improvement across the Trust.

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- Acting as the link in all academies to ensure that planning, leadership, teaching and learning, progress of students and all other aspects of science faculties are on a clear trajectory towards outstanding
- 2. To direct and support the implementation of challenging targets in humanities
- 3. To lead and participate in the reviews of humanities faculties to establish baseline that can be used to instigate improvement planning
- 4. Assist in the creation of faculty improvement plans in response to the review process including the identification of required support and training
- 5. To monitor the progress of any plans through visits, observations, the monitoring of current data and discussion with science staff
- 6. To ensure timely intervention takes place when under achievement or poor progress is identified

- 7. To lead on the training, mentoring and coaching of humanities staff as required
- 8. To ensure consistency and coherency of humanities curriculum delivery across the academy
- 9. To ensure that the School Improvement Lead (T&L) and the Principals/Headteachers are kept informed of the progress of individual academies and any challenges which may arise.

#### In addition you will:

- 10. Support the delivery of the Trust's Academy Improvement Strategy
- 11. Ensure lines of communication are clear with academies and appropriate members of the team
- 12. Follow the Trust's policies and procedures at all times
- 13. As required by the Chief Executive Officer represent the Trust at meetings with Ofsted, Local Authorities and other colleagues and organisations
- 14. Complete reports as required for the Trustees
- 15. Work with other Academy colleagues to secure stakeholder engagement as required
- 16. Manage financial and other resources and risk effectively in accordance with Trust procedures
- 17. Demonstrate a positive commitment to equality and diversity
- 18. Contribute to building the Trust service culture and team ethos
- 19. Contribute to the development of the Trust Strategic Plan
- 20. Manage staff as appropriate to their specific area of responsibility
- 21. Support the development of The Trust's ethos within the team, across the network and within the wider community
- 22. Support the implementation of procedures which manage complaints
- 23. Any other duties commensurate with the role

Tove Learning Trust expects its employees to work flexibly within the framework of the job description. This means the post holder may be expected to carry out work that is not specified in the job description but which is within the remit of the role, duties and responsibilities.

Tove Learning Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and visitors to share this commitment.