

Re: Academy Business Manager
Driving forward our journey to outstanding

April 18

Dear Colleague,

I am delighted at your expression of interest in joining the White Rose Academies Trust. As the Principal of the Academy, I am confident that you, if appointed as **Academy Business Manager** at Leeds East Academy, you will be joining us at a very exciting time.

The Academy Business Manager is a crucial force in Leeds East Academy's vision to be an outstanding school. Leading and managing a wide-ranging team on all operational aspects of the Academy, the Business Manager will be a key member of the Academy's Trust and Senior Leadership Teams, in addition to operating as a specialist advisor to the Academy's Local Accountability Board.

We are seeking an outstanding graduate-level leader, ideally with a senior background in Accountancy/Finance, Legal, Human Resource or Project Management, with experience in leading in a large school or complex educational institution. Exceptional and variegated skills in strategic planning, developmental direction and inspirational leadership are critical to this intricately demanding yet highly rewarding central role.

The successful candidate will be a key member of the Trust's School Business Manager Network, working closely with the Trust's Chief Financial Officer on every aspect of strategic finance and premises development. The Academy has an annual budget of 6.5 Million pounds and operates with 140+ staff and 850+ students, the Academy building and assets total around 20 Million.

Leeds East Academy is the most improved school in Yorkshire and the 4th most improved school in the country, celebrating remarkable GCSE results with an outstanding Progress 8 improvement of +1.09.

Thriving under new leadership and housed within a state-of-the-art new school building, Leeds East Academy is now the premier choice of school for families in the local area.

Leeds East Academy is also a highly desirable and dynamic world-class establishment for ambitious education professionals, who will be joining one of the most productive, supportive and talented leadership teams in the country.

Part of The White Rose Academies Trust - the most rapidly improved family of schools in the region - Leeds East Academy is accelerating on a thrilling journey which will ultimately see the school, its staff and its students, secure an Ofsted rating of outstanding by 2020.

We're securing our 2020 vision for outstanding by growing our family of exceptional education professionals; dedicated specialists and passionate leaders with the shared the goal of transforming future prospects for the next generation of West Yorkshire.

As a Trust, we benefit tremendously from our sponsor, the Leeds City College Group, which is one of the largest and most successful FE/HE College Groups in the UK. Our sponsor provides leadership and operational support and advice to all our academies. Our schools are based in some of the most diverse and challenging areas of the UK, but all have at their core a truly inspirational student community. We are confident that our students will be the leaders of the future and that under their leadership, communities and nations will be radically transformed. To achieve our vision, we already employ over 300 outstanding professionals, all committed to unlocking the potential of young people whilst advancing their aspirations. If you believe you have the skills, experience and resilience to realise our vision, we want you to join us on our journey.

Principal: **Sarah Carrie**
Executive Principal: **Andrew Whitaker**

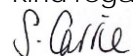
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To apply, please use the attached application form and send it to Recruitment@whiteroseacademies.org.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Carrie'.

Sarah Carrie

Principal