



**GREAT
HEIGHTS**
ACADEMY TRUST

Deputy Chief Finance Officer

Permanent, Full time Role

Based Elland, West Yorkshire

Salary: L10 to L14 (£58,957 to £65,010)

Achieving excellence together

We are looking to recruit an experienced finance professional to the role of Deputy CFO to work alongside the CFO in a leadership and developmental role. This role will be pivotal in leading, advising and influencing the finance team and operational leaders in the Trust.

This is a new and exciting opportunity to join the senior finance leadership team at the Trust. We are looking to appoint someone who is as passionate about education as we are.

Within the Trust there are currently 8 schools (soon to be 9), a sixth form college, an English Hub, SCITT (accredited teacher training provider), a Research School and a specialist medical needs teaching and support unit. As a business our culture fosters positivity, innovation and creativity. We are on a journey to become an employer of choice and have ambitious plans for continued growth.

The Deputy CFO will be the nominated deputy to the CFO and will have overall responsibility for the efficient functioning, integrity, business focus and performance of the numerous areas of the overall finance function. You will provide advice and guidance where appropriate and are responsible for overseeing budgets and expenditure.

You will provide interpretation of financial reports, national guidance, documentation and returns and will take responsibility for the quality and meeting of deadlines of financial data submitted as part of any statutory (or otherwise) Department of Education returns.

The Deputy CFO will operationally lead the finance function and support the Chief Finance Officer in promoting the Trust finance agenda.

You will lead on behalf of the CFO on all aspects of delivery of the objectives of the Finance function within the Trust.

You will support the CFO to ensure that the Trust's approach to the development and delivery of strategic implementation plans is underpinned with consistent supportive, rigorous, and effective processes, including governance, assurance and risk management arrangements and that the Trust's delivery capability and context is embedded, consistent with our strategic objectives.

Company benefits include excellent pension scheme through West Yorkshire pension scheme, 25 days holiday (plus stats) flexibility to take holidays in term time.

To apply for the position please complete an application form, and return it as a word document to Alison Haldenby, Director of HR, A.Haldenby@greatheightstrust.org.uk

Closing date: Monday 15th April 2024, 9am

Interview: TBC

Great Heights Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and we expect all staff to share this commitment. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974; pre-employment checks will be carried out; references will be sought, and successful candidates will be subject to an enhanced DBS check, an online search, and other relevant checks with statutory bodies.

GDPR Disclaimer: Please note and appreciate that whilst we review all CV's and applications, due to the high volume that we receive on a regular basis, we can only respond to candidates that have been successful with their application. Therefore, if you do not hear from us within 14 working days of your application, please accept that your application has been unsuccessful. In line with the General Data Protection Regulations (May 2018) (replacing the Data Protection Act 1998) we will permanently delete information for all unsuccessful applications and we will not keep candidate information on file for future vacancies at this stage of our process