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Dear Parent/Carer

### Academy Councillor Vacancy

We have two vacancies for parent/carers representatives on our Academy Council which we need to fill as soon as possible. The Academy Council is the local governing body for Ely College, and works alongside the trust to support and challenge the leadership of the College. It is also an important means of ensuring that strong parental and community perspectives are represented. One of the most significant ways you can help in promoting this aim is to volunteer to be a member of our Academy Council.

The Academy Council's main tasks are:

- to ensure that the College has a clear vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- to hold the Principal to account for the educational performance of the College and its students;
- to oversee the financial performance of the College and making sure its money is well spent.

Parent/Carer representatives are welcomed as valued members of the team and play a vital role in ensuring the Academy Council is aware of the views of parents and the local community. We feel sure that there are parents prepared to take on this important role and give their time and commitment to helping us to continue to improve the College.

In looking to fill these vacancies the Academy Council has identified the following skills, experience and attributes that would help strengthen the Academy Council:

- Business and Enterprise
- HR (Human Resources) and Personnel

Training and support will be available to help you develop into the role. This will include mentoring and support as well as access to external training.

If you feel you can help in this capacity, please contact the main school office for an application form which will need to be completed and returned to College by **12.00pm on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017**.

We are more than happy to put you in touch with an existing member of our Academy Council for an informal chat beforehand, if this would be helpful. Please contact the Principal's PA who can make these arrangements.

Please note that for the protection of students all Academy Council appointments are subject to DBS clearance.

Yours faithfully

Richard Spencer  
Principal

Ray Haddow  
Academy Council Chair

