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Dear Parent / Carer

Parent Academy Advisor for North Gosforth Academy

The school is seeking nominations to fill **two** parent representative positions on the Academy Advisory Group. The term of office will be for a period of four years from 1 November 2021. This Advisory Group serves North Gosforth Academy which is within Gosforth Group Multi Academy Trust.

School Academy Advisors are volunteers, from a wide variety of backgrounds, who have an interest in influencing education for the children in their local community. Advisory Groups act as a critical friend to the Principal on matters of performance, education, behaviour, attendance and staff performance.

As a parent representative you have an opportunity to take a full and active part in the work of the Advisory Group. However it is important to understand that you would be a representative of the whole parent body and not representing the parent body or any particular group of parents. As such you will not have a mandate or a specific constituency.

The nomination process

Please find enclosed a nomination form. When submitting nominations, the following points should be noted:

- To be eligible to take part in the nomination / election process, an individual must be included on the school's admissions register as being the parent or carer of a child attending the school now.

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- You can put yourself forward by completing the attached nomination form and asking a parent/carer of another child at the school to second your self-nomination. The nominee must also be a parent or carer of a child who is currently on roll at North Gosforth Academy. You should also complete the personal statement. All nominations must be returned to Pete Fox, Principal of North Gosforth Academy, Dudley Lane, Seaton Burn, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE13 6EJ by **12 noon on Friday 8th October 2021**.
- People who are bankrupt or have criminal convictions may not serve as school Academy Advisors. These and the other circumstances disqualifying individuals from holding office as Academy Advisors are set out in full in the School Government Regulations. Further information is available if required.

Additional useful information

The structure of the Academy Advisory Group will consist of:

- 2 Parent Members
- 2 Staff Members
- 5 Community Members
- 2 ex-officios – Mr Hugh Robinson and Mr Pete Fox

The Advisory Group as a whole is scheduled to meet five times during the academic year. There are also a number of sub-groups which meet at need regarding discipline.

Nominations are being sought from parents and carers of pupils who are on roll in North Gosforth Academy. Following this process an election will be held during the autumn term so that the parent members can be appointed as of 1 November 2021.

I hope this information is helpful. However if you have any queries in the meantime please do not hesitate to contact me on the number below.

Yours faithfully



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Deputy Chief Operating Officer and Company Secretary | Gosforth Group

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Nomination form