



Governor

Volunteer role

Are you passionate about education and committed to making a positive impact on the lives of students? This is an exciting opportunity to join our Board of Governors as a Trustee and Company Director.

You will play a crucial role in shaping the strategic direction of our school. Working alongside other Governors to support the dynamic team of educators and professionals in school, you will help ensure an outstanding educational experience for all our students.

We are looking for:

- Individuals with a passion for education who have a commitment to upholding the values of JAGS.
- Professionals who can bring a range of skills and perspectives to our Board.
- Strategic thinkers with the ability to contribute to the long-term vision of the school.
- Those who can dedicate time to attend meetings, engage in discussions and actively participate in the decision-making process.

We are particularly interested in candidates who have skills or experience in the following areas:

- Safeguarding
- Fundraising
- Digital Strategy
- Equity, Diversity and Inclusion
- Law (General counsel or specific areas such as Employment Law)

The standard commitment is three Board meetings per annum (normally held after 4pm) and one full offsite strategy day in June, alongside membership of at least one Committee (normally three meetings per year). Governors are also welcome to visit the school at additional times outside formal meetings.

Why join us:

- The opportunity to contribute to the strategy that has led to the success and growth of our outstanding school, where public examination results consistently place JAGS amongst the leading schools in the UK
- To support and develop the success of our community of considerate, creative and compassionate students and staff
- To be part of a highly diverse and inclusive school community, committed to our bursary provision
- To connect with like minded professional and educators
- To gain valuable experience in governance and leadership

With its distinctive heritage as the oldest independent girls' school in London, James Allen's Girls' School has recently been named as the Sunday Times London Independent School of the Year 2024. Located in the London borough of Southwark, JAGS has a diverse school community and is committed to inclusion in the workplace.

We provide a forward-thinking and contemporary education for over 1100 girls aged 4 to 18.

Our school aims, both in and out of the classroom, are clear:

- To **celebrate** our diverse and inclusive community
- To **champion** social awareness and sustainability
- To **empower** courage, creativity and compassion in each student
- To **inspire** aspirational and authentic lifelong learners and leaders
- To **nurture** respectful, resilient and kind individuals

If this matches your vision, then this is the perfect opportunity for you.

How to apply

We recognise that celebrating the full diversity of Governors, staff and students has a positive impact on all and invite applications from candidates from a broad range of backgrounds. To enable us to make any reasonable adjustments, please let us know when you submit your application whether you have any special requirements.

If you would like further information about the role of Governor, please contact Jason Peck, Clerk to the Governors, via sarah-jane.pestana@jags.org.uk, or Alex Hutchinson, Head, via the Head's PA; helen.careswell@jags.org.uk

Candidates interested in applying are invited to send a CV and expression of interest to recruitment@jags.org.uk. Shortlisted candidates will need to complete the full application form found on our website www.jags.org.uk/day-to-day/vacancies

Closing date for expressions of interest: Midday on Wednesday 3 April 2024
Interviews: Weeks commencing 22 and 29 April 2024

Interviews may be held at any stage after applications are received. Interested candidates are advised to apply as soon as possible. We reserve the right to close this vacancy earlier than the specified deadline, if a suitable candidate is found.

JAGS is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to this post, including checks with past employers, the Disclosure and Barring Service, and overseas police and regulatory authorities where relevant.