



APPOINTMENT OF NEW PRINCIPAL AT LEEDS CITY ACADEMY

Excellent leader with background of working in outstanding and world-class schools to join Leeds City Academy as Principal

Following a national recruitment campaign and a subsequent two day interview process, The White Rose Academies Trust is delighted to announce the appointment of Mr Richard Chattoe as Principal of Leeds City Academy.

Mr Chattoe, who is already currently employed by The White Rose Academies Trust, will begin his new role as Principal on Monday 25th March 2019.

Richard joined the Trust in June 2017 as Vice Principal at Leeds West Academy, following a very successful period of five years working within the nationally acclaimed GORSE Academies Trust at The Farnley Academy and Ruth Gorse Academy, schools rated Outstanding by OFSTED. During his time working in these GORSE academies, Richard enjoyed the roles of Director of Sport, Assistant Principal and then Vice Principal, contributing to the establishment of Teaching and Learning, Continuous Professional Development, Professional Standards and the creation of a Leadership Development programme for both middle and senior leaders.

Richard's main responsibility whilst working as Vice Principal at Leeds West Academy was the quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment within the school which has resulted in improved student engagement, progress and achievement.

Mr Paul Morrissey, Chair of Governors at Leeds City Academy said "I am delighted to welcome Richard Chattoe as the new Principal here at Leeds City Academy, joining us from Leeds West Academy. Richard has worked in some of the most successful schools and academies in the Leeds area and has an excellent record of school improvement. He has particular expertise and success in the leadership of teams of staff and the development of high quality teaching and learning, leading to excellent outcomes for students. I am sure we all wish Richard every success as the new Principal in our rapidly improving academy.'

Andrew Whitaker, Executive Principal of The White Rose Academies Trust, added "I am very much looking forward to working more closely with Richard in his new role as Principal of Leeds City Academy. Throughout the selection process for this important role, Richard outlined a transformative and powerful vision for the academy. Richard is an excellent senior leader, with a strong background working in outstanding and world-class schools. I am confident that under his leadership, the academy will become a world-class provider of education for the students and families we are proud to serve."

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