

Join us as a Trustee at the National Extension College

THE OPPORTUNITY

The National Extension College is seeking a visionary voluntary Trustee with senior leadership experience in the education sector to join our Board and help steer our 2026-2029 Strategic Priorities. This is a governance-focused role centered on providing assurance, monitoring the delivery of our mission and strategic plan, and offering supportive challenges to our executive team to ensure the highest quality of education for our 3,000+ learners. We are looking for an experienced senior leader who understands the broader educational landscape - from schools, colleges and local authorities to qualifications and assessment, SEND and Access Arrangements

YOUR ROLE AND IMPACT

- You will provide high-level assurance that the quality of our educational provision remains excellent and that our curriculum meets the evolving needs of learners of all ages.
- You will offer a supportive challenge to ensure that our strategic approach to SEND and Access Arrangements is both robust and compliant with national standards across all qualifications.
- You will oversee the delivery of our mission by providing the Board with confidence that workforce development and professional learning is strategically aligned with our long-term goals.
- You will provide strategic oversight on safeguarding to ensure that the welfare of our learners is a primary consideration in our governance and digital delivery.
- You will champion our commitment to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, ensuring that our educational pathways remain accessible to those who thrive outside of traditional settings.
- You will act as a senior advocate for the NEC model, using your sector expertise to influence national policy and ensure the sustainability of our unique educational offer.

HOW TO APPLY

If you have the senior leadership experience to provide high-level governance and ensure the delivery of high-quality, inclusive education, please send your CV to helen.smith@nec.ac.uk for an informal discussion.