



## Privacy Notice for Job Applicants

Under data protection law, individuals have a right to be informed about how the school uses any personal data we hold about them. We comply with this right by providing Privacy Notices (sometimes called Fair Processing Notices) to individuals where we are processing their personal data. This Privacy Notice explains how we collect, store and use personal data about individuals applying for jobs at our school.

Gildredge House is the 'Data Controller' for the purposes of data protection legislation. Our Data Protection Officer (DPO) is East Sussex County Council (see 'Contact us' below).

Successful candidates should refer to our Privacy Notice for the school workforce for information about how their personal data is collected, stored and used.

### Privacy Notice - School Workforce

#### The personal data we hold

We process data relating to those applying to work at our school. Personal data that we may collect, use, store and share (when appropriate) about you includes, but is not restricted to:

- Contact details;
- Copies of right to work documentation;
- References;
- Evidence of qualifications; and
- Employment records, including work history, job titles, training records and professional memberships.

We may also collect, store and use information about you that falls into special categories of more sensitive personal data. This includes information about (where applicable):

- Race, ethnicity, religious beliefs, sexual orientation and political opinions; and
- Disability and access requirements.

#### Why we use this data

The purpose of processing this data is to aid the recruitment process by:

- Enabling us to establish relevant experience and qualifications;
- Facilitating safe recruitment, as part of our safeguarding obligations towards pupils;
- Enabling equalities monitoring; and
- Ensuring that appropriate access arrangements can be provided for candidates that require them.

#### Our legal basis for using this data

We only collect and use personal information about you when the law allows us to. Most commonly, we use it where we need to:

- Comply with a legal obligation; and / or
- Carry out a task in the public interest.

Less commonly, we may also use personal information about you where:

- You have given us consent to use it in a certain way; and / or
- We need to protect your vital interests (or someone else's interests).

In order to process special category data, we will also ensure an appropriate Article 9 condition has been identified. These will be:

- Processing is necessary for our obligations in relation to employment;
- Processing is necessary for the assessment of the working capacity of an employee; and / or

- Processing is necessary for reasons of substantial public interest.

Please see the school's Special Category Data Policy for more information about how we process this type of data. This policy can be found [here](#).

Where you have provided us with consent to use your data, you may withdraw this consent at any time. We will make this clear when requesting your consent, and explain how you go about withdrawing consent if you wish to do so.

Some of the reasons listed above for collecting and using personal information about you overlap, and there may be several grounds which justify the school's use of your data.

### Collecting this information

While the majority of the information we collect from you is mandatory, there is some information that you can choose whether or not to provide to us. Whenever we seek to collect information from you, we make it clear whether you must provide this information (and if so, what the possible consequences are of not complying), or whether you have a choice.

### How we store this data

Personal data we collect as part of the job application process is stored in line with our Data Protection Policy and Records Management Schedule. When it is no longer required, we will delete your information in accordance with our Record Retention Schedule. A copy of the school's Records Management Schedule is available on request from the School Office.

### Data sharing

We do not share information about you with any third party without your consent unless the law and our policies allow us to do so.

Where it is legally required, or necessary (and it complies with data protection law), we may share personal information about you with:

- Our Local Authority - to meet our legal obligations to share certain information with it, such as shortlists of candidates for a Head Teacher position;
- Suppliers and service providers - to enable them to provide the service we have contracted them for, such as HR and recruitment support;
- Professional advisers and consultants; and / or
- Employment and recruitment agencies.

### Transferring data internationally

Where we transfer personal data to a country or territory outside the European Economic Area, we will do so in accordance with data protection law.

### Your rights

#### How to access the personal information we hold about you

Individuals have a right to make a 'subject access request' to gain access to personal information that the school holds about them.

If you make a subject access request, and if we do hold information about you, we will:

- Give you a description of it;
- Tell you why we are holding and processing it, and how long we will keep it for;
- Explain where we got it from, if not from you;
- Tell you who it has been, or will be, shared with;
- Let you know whether any automated decision-making is being applied to the data, and any consequences of this; and
- Give you a copy of the information in an intelligible form.

You may also have a right for your personal information to be transmitted electronically to another organisation in certain circumstances. If you would like to make a request, please contact our Data Protection Officer.

### Your other rights regarding your data

Under data protection law, individuals have certain rights regarding how their personal data is used and kept safe. You have the right to:

- Object to the use of your personal data if it would cause, or is causing, damage or distress;
- Prevent your data being used to send direct marketing;
- Object to the use of your personal data for decisions being taken by automated means (by a computer or machine, rather than a person);
- In certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data corrected, deleted or destroyed, or restrict processing; and / or
- Claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the data protection regulations.

To exercise any of these rights, please contact our Data Protection Officer.

### Complaints

We take any complaints about our collection and use of personal information very seriously. If you think that our collection or use of personal information is unfair, misleading or inappropriate, or have any other concern about our data processing, please raise this with us in the first instance.

To make a complaint, please contact our Data Protection Officer. Alternatively, you can make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office:

- Report a concern online at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>
- Call 0303 123 1113
- Or write to:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

### Contact us

If you have any questions, concerns or would like more information about anything mentioned in this privacy notice, please contact our Data Protection Officer:

- East Sussex County Council - [schools.DPO@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:schools.DPO@eastsussex.gov.uk)