

LEADERS LIKE US

HOST SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

September 2022-2024

SHADOWING AND MENTORING

CEFEL has successfully run networks and programmes for school leaders who are keen to see real change in our education system in addressing racial injustice. We know that not enough has been done yet to address inequality across our schools and we are committed to action which makes this happen. Leaders should not seek diversity and inclusion just because it is the correct thing to do, we should pursue it and take action because it is inherently better.

As part of the Leaders Like Us programme, participants will be linked with a similar school in a contrasting location for one week. This will give them the experience of seeing headship close-up, and the understanding of what working in a different context might be like. The participant will shadow a headteacher, who will then become a mentor to them throughout the duration of the programme. The mentor, school and their diocese/trust will undergo training and oversight from the CEFEL Inclusion team to ensure this is an experience which enables all to thrive.







PROVISION REQUIREMENTS OF HOST SCHOOLS

Host schools must have sufficient resources and trained staff available to provide continuous on-site supervision and mentoring by experienced and knowledgeable senior leadership staff.

Committed to enabling authentic experiences

Programme of professional learning

Understanding what leadership really entails

Clear
structures for
mentee to
raise a
concern

Provision

Meeting with mentee daily

Safeguarding

Mentorship

Risk Assessment including clear responses in cases of racist incidents

Confidentiality around areas discussed with mentee

Provide mentoring, assistance and suggest cultural activities in the area.

Be readily available to mentee in case of emergency procedures





PROFESSIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF HOST SCHOOLS



Evidence of substantive Equity, Diversity & Inclusion training

Leadership & Management rated good or excellent/outstanding

Specific training and understanding of racial justice/anti-racism

Evidence of a whole school approach to Equity, Diversity & Inclusion including racism

Flourishing Together - Reimagining Learning

To remain open to understandings - perhaps even to principles - as yet not determined is the least that learning requires, its barest threshold. With every friend I've known, in every situation I've encountered, I have found something to learn.

-Sonia Sotomayor, My Beloved World







Shadowing Week

A guide to the Professional Learning Programme

Day 1: Exploring the School Culture and Teaching

Immersion in school life – including break duty, welcoming pupils into school, a learning walk, book looks, planning documents, pupil voice, lesson observations, data (can be anonymised).

What do they notice?

Day 2 - Implementation & Operational Management

Looking at the School Development Plan – Intent, Implementation, Impact. Explore one element indepth that is of personal interest to them, or an area they would like to think about developing for their own practice. Explore and evaluate school policies, procedures and processes (with a focus of EDI).

Day 3 - Curriculum & Professional Development

Opportunities to speak to middle leaders (including subject leaders), and department leaders. Look at the curriculum in depth with a focus on representation and a multi-perspective curriculum.

Day 4 - Additional/SEND

Provision focus - the type and impact of provisions (including Pupil Premium spending and Sports' Premium). Opportunities for aspirational challenges for higher attaining pupils, including extracurricular e.g., links with other schools - primary, secondary, special, colleges, and universities.

Day 5 - Partnership & Governors

Explore external links with the community - How does this impact on the school? e.g., cluster schools, local churches, and external organisations within the local authority.

Meet with the Chair of Governors to understand the significance of their relationship with the headteacher, and their own understanding of EDI.

Use the above to further develop their understanding of public sector duty and the Equality Act.

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