



The Public Sector Equality Duty in Schools

Primary School Equality information

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1. Aims

Crofty Multi Academy Trust (including each of the schools within it) aim to meet their obligations under the public sector equality duty by having due regard to the need to:

Eliminate

This document is also based on Department for Education (DfE) guidance: The Equality Act 2010 and schools and complies with our funding agreement and articles of association.

3. Roles and responsibilities

The local governing body representative for SEND of each school will:

Ensure that the equality information and objectives as set out in this statement are published and communicated throughout the school, including to staff, pupils and parents, and that they are reviewed and updated every year

Delegate responsibility for monitoring the achievement of the objectives on a daily basis to the headteacher

The headteacher of each school will:

Promote knowledge and understanding of the equality objectives amongst staff and pupils

Monitor success in achieving the objectives and report back to governors

All school staff are expected to have regard to this document and to work to achieve the objectives as set out in section 8.

4. Eliminating discrimination

All employees, trustees and local governing bodies within Crofty MAT are aware of their obligations under the Equality Act 2010 and comply with non-discrimination provisions.

Where relevant, our policies include reference to the importance of avoiding discrimination and other prohibited conduct.

Staff and governors are regularly reminded of their responsibilities under the Equality Act, for example during meetings. Where this has been discussed during a meeting it is recorded in the meeting minutes.

New staff receive training on the Equality Act as part of their induction, and all staff receive refresher training annually.

The school has a designated member of staff for monitoring equality issues who is responsible for ensuring that governors on the local governing body are aware of these as appropriate.

5. Advancing equality of opportunity

As set out in the DfE guidance on the Equality Act, all employees, trustees and local governing bodies within the MAT aim to advance equality of opportunity by:

Removing or minimising disadvantages suffered by people which are connected to a particular characteristic they have (e.g. pupils with disabilities, or gay pupils who are being subjected to homophobic bullying)

Taking steps to meet the particular needs of people who have a particular characteristic (e.g. enabling Muslim pupils to pray at prescribed times)

Encouraging people who have a particular characteristic to participate fully in any activities (e.g. encouraging all pupils to be involved in the full range of school extra-curricular activities)

In fulfilling this aspect of the duty, each school will:

Publish attainment data each academic year showing how pupils with different characteristics are performing

Analyse the above data to determine strengths and areas for improvement, implement actions in response and publish this information

Make evidence available identifying improvements for specific groups (e.g. declines in incidents of homophobic or transphobic bullying)

Publish further data about any issues associated with particular protected characteristics, identifying any issues which could affect our own pupils

