Impact Education Multi Academy Trust and Pennine Academies Yorkshire Announce Partnership Proposal

Today we are excited to share our educational partnership proposal as we seek to gain feedback from parents/carers, staff, partners and the community.

Why This Partnership Matters

Collectively, our Trust Boards believe the best way forward to further enhance our work is to bring Impact Education Multi Academy Trust and Pennine Academies Yorkshire together in a formal partnership. This would see Pennine Academies Yorkshire schools transfer into Impact Education Multi Academy Trust, with both Trusts working side by side to agree and deliver the priorities that will move us forward together.

Impact Education Multi Academy Trust and Pennine Academies Yorkshire share a strong commitment to inclusive, high-quality education - particularly for disadvantaged pupils and those with special educational needs.

The two Trusts have been exploring ways to leverage their strengths. By partnering under the Impact Education Multi Academy Trust brand, they aim to accelerate their influence and create even greater opportunities for their pupils, staff, and communities.

This partnership will create one of the largest non-faith Trusts in West Yorkshire, with 18 academies, 8,200 pupils, and over 1,200 staff. Together, they will benefit from:

- Improved outcomes and experience for our pupils
- Stronger expertise in SEND and school improvement
- Greater talent development through enhanced career and collaboration opportunities
- Improved resilience via shared resources and financial efficiencies
- Wider reach across Bradford, Calderdale and Kirklees

Rooted in shared values of inclusivity, collaboration, and excellence, this is a natural partnership and next step for both Trusts and an exciting one for all involved.

A Shared Vision for Excellence

This is an exciting time for our Trust and schools and a fantastic opportunity for us to further strengthen our partnerships as a group of like-minded education providers by formalising the relationships between us.

The Trust is determined to deliver the very highest standard of education through collaboration, sharing of best practice and is underpinned by our shared ethos and values.

Get Involved!

We invite you to share your thoughts. For information on how you can take part in the engagement process please visit the "Our Future" page at https://i-mat.org.uk/our-future/

Following the consultation period, a report on the findings will be published and made available to all stakeholders via each Trust website.