**Liaison Group Anti Bullying Champion Network**

**An Introduction to the Project**

We are excited to announce that we have been invited to select 18 schools in Buckinghamshire to participate in a national training programme, **Equally Safe**. The aim of the program is to create support networks who are embedding best practice approaches to creating equal and inclusive schools ~~and~~, tackling identity-based bullying and who will continue building and sharing this practice after the intervention has ended.

**Criteria for Participation**

We welcome applications from a wide range of schools who meet the below criteria

* + - Not be graded inadequate,
		- Have a stable Senior Leadership Team,
		- Are working to develop an Anti-Bullying strategy or have identified need to prioritise this work through their development plans.
		- Have recent positive feedback from Ofsted re: Behaviour and Attitudes and Personal Development

Each school will select two members of staff to lead on this work and will be allocated a lead representative from the organisation EqualiTeach, who will work extensively with them to deliver a bespoke package of support. Chosen Leads should aim to attend 67% of the events shown in the schedule.

Please submit your interest to your liaison group by **Monday 4th October 2021**

**Liaison Group Nominations**

As a liaison group, please can you consider and nominate 2 schools – one first choice and one reserve school – to become your **Liaison Group Anti Bullying Champion School** who will benefit from:

* An initial training event for school leads
* Resources and guidance to undertake a baseline assessment of their equalities and anti-bullying work
* Consultancy to support schools to update and strengthen policies
* Eight two-hour online twilight training events for school leads
* Whole-day events and follow up support for pupils to equip them to be Agents for Change Ambassadors
* In-house twilight training for all school staff
* Action planning meetings with staff leads to support them to implement initiatives and create positive change in school
* Assistance in communicating the work to parents/carers
* The creation of a network of peer support with other schools

Please can the liaison group **select a school** to respond, and email the name of your first choice school and reserve school **to** **sis@buckinghamshire.gov.uk** with the title ‘ANTI-BULLYING CHAMPION NETWORK’ by **October 4th** Once nominations have been submitted we will send confirmation along with the partnership agreement form.

We look forward to receiving your nominations.

Kind Regards



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