# SPALDING ACADEMY SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION PRIORITIES (STP) 2023-2024

# SPALDING ACADEMY VISION - ASPIRE / CHALLENGE / ACHIEVE

Spalding Academy aims to provide a high-quality education which enriches students' ambition and love of learning and equips them with the skills, knowledge and cultural capital they need to access aspirational Post 16 pathways, meet the responsibilities and experiences of later life and to Aspire / Challenge / Achieve.

# TARGET:

A. LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT

# STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE IN BRIEF:

INTENT: i. To review KS4 curriculum in light of Vocational qualification reforms & make any changes.
ii. To securely embed the mapped three-year KS3 Curriculum.
iii. Continue to encourage an increased

EBacc participation at KS4.

IMPACT: Yr11: Maintain focus on End of KS4
[P8 Score] so the school remains above
national average.
Yr10: Review target setting & tracking of

#### STAFF SUCCESSION & CPD:

i. Maintain high focus on succession planning; retention & developing/training staff appropriate totheir career stage.
 ii. To ensure all new staff carry out a thorough Trust induction process.
 iii. Revisit staff understanding of the T&L strategy, to meet the needs of the national educational agenda.

STAFF WELLBEING: To implement the WWW. Staff Wellbeing Charter across the Trust, including embedding a Staff Welfare Champion and website.

### **PARTNERSHIPS:**

To formally implement the new Partnership (HUB) structure across the Trust, to ensure consistency and best practice is shared across all schools.

#### TRUSTEE & LAB MEMBER TRAINING:

i. Revisit Governors understanding of the schools T&L strategy, to meet the needs of the national educational agenda. ii. Recruitment drive to increase the capacity of SA Local Advisory Boards (LAB).

ACA GROUP: Embed the ACA (Aspire Challenge and Achieve) internal school improvement group.

# TARGET:

B. QUALITY OF EDUCATION

# **STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE IN BRIEF:**

TEACHING & LEARNING IMPLEMENTATION: Support subject teachers to deliver Good & Outstanding quality lessons, with a particular focus on stretch & challenge, pace, recall, retrieval & questioning.

INTERVENTION: Further develop the department approach to curriculum

implementation through intervention (4<sup>th</sup> 'I') to further embed learning automaticity.

INDEPENDENCE: i. Embed an intervention plan for students to build independence; resilience; resourcefulness & close gaps in learning.

ii. With a particular focus on further closing the gender gap.

NATIONAL CURRICULUM MAPPING: To embed the reviewed student learning experience for each year group – finalising mapping provision to the National Curriculum across all subject areas (including stretch and challenge initiative).

QUALITY ASSURANCE: To further develop and embed the Trust quality assurance processes i.e. Deep Dives; lesson visits; work scrutiny & student voice.

ASSESSMENT: Embed the Feedback Policy to include a balance of low; mid; high assessments to support managing workload.

COMMUNICATION AGENDA: Embed the effective Communication Policy and strategies (reading, literacy & oracy).

SEN: SEN review of provision to build a 'school within a school' – to ensure appropriate resources and that student Learning Plans are well matched to their individual needs.

# TARGET:

C. BEHAVIOUR & ATTITUDES

# STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE IN BRIEF:

REWARDS: Implement the Trust's new Student Reward Scheme. This includes the Aspire Passports for Year 7-9 (Year one of two-year programme)

BEHAVIOUR: Further embed the SLAT 4
Point Behaviour Plan & On Call system -and
ensure the Behaviour Ladder of escalation
is embedded & consistent.

ATTENDANCE: i. Continue to monitor & drive attendance effectively and feedback weekly & review impact of attendance strategies & progress.

ii. Continue to promote the Trust No Off Rolling Policy, to reduce EHE numbers.

#### MID YEAR ADMISSIONS PROCESS:

To continue to monitor & drive the midyear admission process, in order for a smooth facilitation of the FAPS; managed move and appeals (high volume) process where possible.

AP: To continue to check the quality of education at the alternative provision of Pilgrim Hospital School, to ensure its appropriateness to engage students & to participate in managing their education.

BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING: Embed strategies to enable students to enhance their thirst for learning and show their resilience to independent learning and developing confidence (NB: links to new Aspire Reward Passport initiative).

#### **IMPROVE ASPIRATION / INDEPENDANCE:**

i. To build on improving the quality and challenge of homework.

ii. Develop greater student ownership of learning – i.e. via their approach to independent learning tasks within lessons or in intervention sessions.

# TARGET:

D. PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

# TARGET:

E. OVERALL EFFECTIVENESS

# STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE IN BRIEF:

SAFEGUARDING: Ensure policy & procedures include all current updatesensure appropriate training for staff to maintain outstanding support for all.

PSHE / SMSC: Embed at KS3 & KS4 to prepare our students for the 21st Century in line with SLAT expectations:

- Fundamental British Values (FBV)
- Careers
- BSE
- Diversity
- Communication (Oracy / Reading)
- Disadvantaged
- Celebration/Pride/Respect/Rewards

### STUDENT WELLBEING:

Further promotion of wellbeing and positive mental health strategies.
 ii. Embed the Trust / whole school robust

approach to raising awareness of wellbeing & mental health issues.

CAREERS: Continue to raise aspirations and review destinations. Embed the current careers provision and to meet the needs of the Gatsby benchmark, to ensure all pupils progress to the next appropriate stage of education or employment.

DISADVANTAGED STRATEGY: Further embedding the school Disadvantaged Strategy to ensure gaps in student learning, rewards or welfare are bridged through the three strategy development pillars (academic/engagement/welfare).

HOUSE SYSTEM: To review the House system in order to raise the profile of this initiative and give students a stronger House identity.

WIDER CURRICULUM: to continue to focus on extra-curricular activities provided and events/trips to raise aspiration – record & breakdown impact by groups of students.

# STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE IN BRIEF:

QUALITY ASSURANCE: i. Embed the Trust's quality assurance measures, including deep dive 'visits', and embed training for staff. ii. To introduce and develop a Trust / school Lesson Look Obs Team to improve T&L consistency in the school & Trust.

RAISING ASPIRATION: To embed strategies & support to ensure high aspiration for all learners, with a focus on:

- SEN
- EAL
- LAC
- Disadvantaged
- Safeguarding
- Diversity Groups
- High Prior Attainers
- Mid-Term Admissions

STAKEHOLDER VOICE: Continue with ongoing regular communication with all stakeholders, so all learn to 'know their school well'.

STUDENT VOICE: i. Increase opportunity for student voice to gauge students experience including promotion of new 'You Say, We Listen' feature & relaunch the School Council.

ii. To put in place helpful student (exit) surveys to gauge successes & areas for the Trust and school to improve as students' progress to the next stage of their education/work career.

SIXTH FORM: Continue to explore the Post 16 provision at Spalding Academy for September 2024/25, whilst continuing to offer transition to the SLAT Sixth Form.

LEARNING ENVIRONMENT: Facility improvement to raise aspiration – i.e. to complete the development of the ongoing planned building projects and review any future facility needs for 2024/2025.