



**Job title:** Regional Fundraising Officer  
**Location:** Based remotely in North East England  
**Responsible to:** Head of Engagement  
**Salary:** £28,000 - £38,000 per annum  
**Contract:** Full time – permanent

### **Why us?**

Speakers for Schools are a dynamic, swift-moving and fast-growing charity. We are on a mission to support a million young people across the UK annually by 2023. Having taken the first steps on the road to achieving this, our team has doubled in size in the past year. This has supported 278% growth in our Experience programme and 10% growth in our Inspiration programme during the past 12 months.

We want to level the playing field, making sure that all young people can access inspirational opportunities and experiences to fuel their ambition.

We are united and unique in our mission to transform lives through raising aspirations of millions of young people every year. Each year, 1,500 senior leaders, celebrities and industry experts deliver a difference to by sharing their story with students in schools and colleges in every corner of the UK. We connect employers such as Disney, The Bank of England, Spotify PwC and almost two hundred others to communities to provide access to the top opportunities for all across the UK. With us, you will be part of inspiring a generation to reach higher, broaden horizons and get equal access to the top.

To keep growing our charity and our impact, we need top talent and we are committed to treasuring, developing and supporting them to thrive within their roles.

### **Role Summary**

We are seeking motivated and ambitious Regional Fundraising Officers for the North West. We have a big ambition, and our fundraising targets reflect this ambition, our ideal candidate can demonstrate a track record of fundraising within one of these regions with a particular focus on corporate and community group fundraising. You will have strong networking and presenting skills and understanding the importance of delivering exceptional stewardship to maximise income and long-term partnerships. An understanding of local and trust opportunities would also be an advantage.

Reporting to the Head of Engagement regionally, with a dotted line reporting to the Regional Fundraising Lead, you will be proficient at planning and prioritising multiple calls on time and be able to work independently towards financial and non-financial targets and KPI's. A Strategic thinker, you will use your understanding of the region and fundraising experience to develop and deliver an exciting strategy that will drive fundraising and embed Speakers for Schools into the communities it serves.

### **Key Duties / Responsibilities**

- Develop and broaden regional corporate partnerships.
- Research, identify and develop relationships with key stakeholders and supporters across the region
- Work with the Head of Engagement (and their teams) and the Regional Fundraising Lead to develop local campaigns and bespoke compelling case for support
- Ensure all enquiries are followed through in a timely and professional manner
- Update Salesforce and ensure all activity is compliant with data protection, policies and procedures
- Identify new fundraising events and opportunities to attract new audiences who align to our ambition
- Provide monthly reports to the Head of Engagement and Regional Fundraising Lead.

### **Education / Experience / Knowledge**

#### **Essential:**

- Excellent written and oral communication skills with a keen eye for detail
- Excellent research skills
- Strong track record in delivering to tight deadlines
- Excellent organisational and project management skills
- Evidence of good negotiation skills
- Highly computer literate, with particular experience of using Microsoft Office packages including Word and Excel
- Excellent presentation skills
- Able to work in a team and on own initiative
- Ability to build successful relationships with all Stakeholders.

#### **Desirable:**

- Fundraising experience
- Events management experience.
- Relevant experience in corporate communications, stakeholder management and other relationship building activities
- Experience in report writing
- Experience using Salesforce.

We are looking forward to holding video interviews through July 2021 and appointing our Regional Fundraising Officer swiftly so we can start delivering a difference in August and beyond. You must have the right to work in the UK without visa restriction to be considered.

#### **Benefits offered at Speakers for Schools:**

- 25 days annual leave plus bank holidays
- Morning of your birthday off
- Pension scheme

- CharlieHR perks
- Perkbox
- £500 a year training allowance

### **Diversity at our core**

At Speakers for Schools, we are committed to encouraging equality and diversity among our workforce, and eliminating discrimination. Our aim is for our workforce to be truly representative of all sections of society and our customers, and for each employee to feel respected and able to give their best.

We welcome applications from all, including those where employment has been affected by Covid19 and those seeking to change careers. Diversity is at our core, join us.

### **How to apply:**

Please apply as soon as possible submitting your CV and a one page covering letter which outlines your specific interest and ability to successfully fill this role, as well as your salary expectations and current notice period.

Appointees are subject to a successful DBS check, as contact with young people is likely.

**Please note, if you do not provide a covering letter your application will not be considered.**

### **The Journey to joining Speakers for Schools:**

Interviews will be scheduled as applications are received, before the closing date, and will take place over Microsoft Teams. We may appoint before this date depending on applications.

The closing date for this role is **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August**

Our new team member will start ASAP.

If you have not heard from us two weeks after the closing date, please presume your application has been unsuccessful.