

## Tracey Smith appointed CEO for Sodexo Schools & Universities

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**Sodexo** UK & Ireland has promoted Tracey Smith as the new CEO for its **schools and universities** business which provides food services to over 450 state and 60 independent schools and food, FM and student accommodation management services at 105 university sites across the UK.

Tracey joined Sodexo ten years ago as business development director for universities and in 2020 was promoted to sales director for schools and universities.

Sodexo continues to grow within the education sector. Over the last year its schools and universities segment secured £16.6 million in new business, adding prestigious independent schools to its portfolio including Shrewsbury School and St Leonards School, St Andrews, as well as retaining valued long term clients including Wellington College and Reed's School.

With over 30 years' experience, including many years at board and executive levels, Tracey has a proven track record in business development and operational management and in her new role will join the Sodexo UK and Ireland regional leadership team.

Sean Haley, CEO Sodexo UK & Ireland said: *"Tracey has exceptional client relationships, market knowledge and a driving passion to deliver the best food and 'home from home' services that enhance the learning experience for the pupils and students we serve every day. Tracey is a natural choice for this role and I am delighted to welcome her to the regional leadership team."*

Tracey is committed to developing Sodexo's services to deliver experiences that help children and young people achieve their potential. Tracey also volunteers with the Social Mobility Foundation, mentoring pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Tracey Smith adds: *"I am delighted to continue my career at Sodexo and thank outgoing CEO, Phil Smith for all he has done to create such a strong and talented team. Our commitment is to deliver healthy, nutritious, sustainable food services and ensure we make a positive impact on the communities we serve every day. Our schools and universities business continues to grow and develop with our continued focus on supporting our clients and enabling young people to thrive in all they do."*