



Would you or someone you know make a great academy governor?

School governors are one of the country's largest voluntary groups with around 300,000 people contributing to the educational achievement, staff performance and community links within their local schools. Academy Local Governing Bodies (LGB) are made up of community members, parents and staff; people with a wide range of skills, backgrounds and experiences.

We are looking for people who:

- Have an interest in the performance of the academies, and a desire to contribute to them.
- Are able to look at issues objectively and make informed judgements.
- Will join in debate, ask questions and put forward ideas.
- Are happy to work with others and have time to spare.
- Have a variety of skills; whether they be as a parent, business owner, educational specialist, or an active member of the local community.

Why become a academy governor:

- For the knowledge that you have played a part in improving education for the children, and have supported the staff.
- For the opportunity to learn new skills; any training courses are available.
- To develop skills in specific areas of academy management/education.
- To meet a new and varied group of people.
- For a sense of achievement at having made a difference.

Role and responsibilities:

- Promoting high standards of educational achievement.
- Helping to set pupil and staff targets.
- Monitoring the curriculum to make sure it is broad and balanced.
- Assisting in appointing new members of staff.
- Reviewing policies and development plans.
- Preparing for and attending meetings (usually once or twice each term).
- Supporting, as well as challenging the academies as a whole.

Are you academy governor material?

Being a governor can be challenging, rewarding and enjoyable. Don't assume that you have to have expertise, knowledge or experience - it's far more important to have enthusiasm, an enquiring mind, and interest to begin with.

Remember, every new governor undertakes an induction programme; there is also training and support available to you throughout your time, as well as the help and guidance of the academies local governing body.



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