Make a difference Join our governing body

This information sheet gives an overview of a governor's responsibilities. If after reading this you would like to be considered for one of our vacancies, please contact the academy office for further information and details of how to apply.

Governors are appointed to provide:

- strong links between our academy and the community we serve
- a wide experience of the outside world
- an independent view
- a focus on long term development and improvement
- accountability to the community for the use of resources and the standards of teaching and learning within our academy
- support for the Headteacher and staff.

Governors are expected to:

- attend meetings of the governing body
- work as a member of the governing body (not as an individual) in the best interests of the academy
- show an interest in academy activities
- become well-informed about education in general and about our academy in particular
- become familiar with the rules of academy governance
- keep up to date with changes in education legislation
- attend training courses, where appropriate.

Governors will also be involved in the following activities:

- senior staff appointments
- the financial management of the academy
- pupil discipline
- the curriculum
- community links

What we hope you will get out of being a governor:

- the knowledge that you are helping our pupils
- the satisfaction of giving something back to the community
- a sense of purpose and achievement
- new skills which may be useful elsewhere
- broader horizons

What we hope you can offer

- time (approximately six hours a month)
- a willingness to learn
- a listening ear and enquiring mind
- the ability to assimilate information, make judgements and take decisions
- the ability to work as part of a team

We look forward to hearing from you soon...