

# Bridge Academy Trust Job Description Position: School Governor Vacancies

### What do Governors do?

School governors offer strategic guidance, rather than getting involved in the operational aspects of a school. This involves:

- Working with other board members to plan the school's strategic direction.
- Overseeing the school's financial performance, ensuring money is well-spent.
- Holding the headteacher or school leadership to account.

# Do I need any qualifications or prior experience?

No special qualifications or experience is needed, and you don't need to be a parent or education expert to volunteer. Schools require a combination of skills to ensure their boards operate effectively. The most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the governing body's work.

### Will I get any training?

Yes, we will provide you with an induction and ongoing training for your role.

### What is the time commitment?

- Four meetings each academic year (usually during the evening at the school)
- Attendance at the Trust's annual Governors' Conference
- Occasional additional meetings, as needed.
- If you are the Chair, you would be required to attend a termly Chairs' meeting and maintain regular contact with their Headteacher.
- All Governors are expected and encouraged to visit the school for monitoring visits on a termly basis.

## Will I get paid?

The Governor role is unremunerated but presents a great opportunity for self-development, provides the opportunity to give something back to the local community and to help children achieve the best education possible.

### How do I find out more?

Visit our website to find out more about our current Governor vacancies and chat to one of our team.

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