

WANT TO MAKE A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE TO THE EDUCATION OF YOUR CHILD AND OTHER CHILDREN IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

BECOME A PARENT GOVERNOR; RECRUITING NOW

DEADLINE: FRIDAY 25TH JAN 2019

Who should apply? Those with a commitment to supporting and developing The Axholme Academy for the benefit of our students.

What skills and experience are required? Our strong Governing Body is a team made up of individuals with a diverse range of skills, knowledge and experience. No one governor possesses all the necessary skills! Governors will ideally have *some* generic skills and local knowledge. You may also have specialist knowledge in a particular field. Knowledge and experience of stakeholder management and engagement would be highly desirable. Lots of development, training and support is provided appropriate to your needs.

- **Generic skills, knowledge and experience;** experience of governance, strategic planning, self-evaluation, data analysis, chairing, leadership, communications, ability to influence, and handling complaints, grievances and appeals
- **Local knowledge;** of the school, local community, parent's perspective, and local and regional economy and business.
- **Specialist knowledge;** facilities management, human resource management, education, teaching and training, procurement, work placements and career planning, and safeguarding.

How many vacancies are available? We have 1 Parent Governor vacancy.

Am I eligible to be a Parent Governor? If you have a child registered at the school (as defined by The Children Act 1989) then you are eligible to be a Parent Governor.

There are some exemptions where parents would be disqualified, e.g. if you are an elected member of the local education authority, or have been paid to work at the school for more than 500 hours in any 12-month period commencing on 1 August and finishing on 31 July. This does not however prevent an eligible parent from nominating or voting in the process.

In the rare event of more applicants than vacancies, a ballot of Academy parents will take place. EACH parent has one ballot paper irrespective of the number of children at the school and may vote for up to the number of parent governors to be elected.

What is the role of a Governor? The Governing Board has 3 core functions:

- setting the strategic direction
- holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school
- ensuring financial health, probity and value for money.

Governors and senior leaders use a robust framework to set the strategic direction for their school including improvement priorities, and then monitor progress against the strategic vision.

How do I access further information? Contact us at ddacosta@theaxholmeacademy.com or telephone the Academy on 01724 710 368 and a member of the Governing Board will ring you back.

How do I apply? Please complete the attached application form and drop it into the school or forward to aharkin@theaxholmeacademy.com no later than Friday 25th Jan 2019.

SCHOOL GOVERNORS MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN YOUR COMMUNITY!