

What becoming a Governor involves

All governors are volunteers. Governors do not need to be education experts. The most effective governors - listen, think and ask questions.

Governors do not have any powers as individuals. The governing body exercises its authority collectively.

The main qualifications are:

- A belief that education is important
- An interest in the role of schools in the community
- An ability to work with others
- An ability to assimilate a wide range of information and data
- A willingness to learn
- Sound communication skills
- Being prepared to give time to doing the job well

Schools are fascinating places. Being a governor can be very rewarding because you are:

- Investing in the next generation
- Using your personal qualities and expertise to help the school, its pupils and staff
- Developing new skills
- Acquiring new knowledge
- Making new friends
- Developing a sense of partnership and involvement in the community

Download the document [Becoming a School Governor](#) which outlays what school governors do, the terms of office, what is expected as well as what support is available plus information on who is eligible to be a school governor.

If you would like to express an interest in becoming a Governor then click on the link below to access the online application form.