

Governor Recruitment

School governors are the strategic decision makers and vision setters in every school and they play a vital role in ensuring the best possible education for their pupils. The 3 key priorities for a school Governing Body are as follows:

- 1. Ensuring the clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;**
- 2. Overseeing the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff;**
- 3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.**

We are currently looking to appoint additional new governors at Dover Grammar School for Girls. Opportunities are available for individuals with skills that would enhance the expertise of the current Governing Body. The skills sets we are particularly looking for include:

- **Safeguarding**
- **Data analysis**
- **Financial planning and purchasing**
- **Legal matters**
- **Links with local businesses.**

Full training and support will be offered to new governors to enable them to carry out their roles and responsibilities. These could include school monitoring visits, a subject or governance specific responsibility or representation of the governing body at school events.

Governing body meetings are held at the school on a Monday evening usually starting at 4pm. All governors are encouraged to become members of a least one of the three current committees i.e. Personnel, Finance and General Purposes or Curriculum and Student Development. This would involve a commitment to attend on average 7 meetings per year, although this can vary if circumstances dictate the need for additional meetings. Governor appointments are for a 4 year term of office.

Becoming a school governor is very interesting and rewarding. It offers the opportunity to learn new skills and to be part of a friendly team of professionals working together to offer the best possible learning experience for the students in our care.

If you are interested in applying or just wish to have a chat to find out more about becoming a governor, please contact Lin Dykes (Clerk to Governors), clerk@dqgs.kent.sch.uk for further information. Alternatively please send a brief letter with your CV to school explaining what you believe you can bring to the Governing Body.