



The Trustees of Zenith Multi Academy Trust would like to invite you become a local governor at Castle View School.

Effective governance is based on six key features:

1. Strategic leadership that sets and champions vision, ethos and strategy.
2. Accountability that drives up educational standards and financial performance.
3. People with the right skills, experience, qualities and capacity.
4. Structures that reinforce clearly defined roles and responsibilities.
5. Compliance with statutory and contractual requirements.
6. Evaluation to monitor and improve the quality and impact of governance

Governance functions can be delegated by the Trust board to local governing bodies (LGBs). Regardless of the extent of delegation, the Trust remains accountable for the performance of all its schools to the Secretary of State.

No special qualifications are needed and 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. This is an unpaid, voluntary role.

Zenith Multi Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding the welfare of young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post will be subject to an enhanced disclosure check from the Disclosure and Barring Service and a Right to Work in the UK check.

A governor must be aged 18 or over at the time of his/her election or appointment and cannot hold more than one governorship at the same school.

No person who is a local authority associated person is eligible to be appointed to the office of governor unless his/her appointment to such office is authorised by the local authority to which he is associated.

A person is disqualified from holding or continuing to hold office as a governor if he or she:

- s/he becomes incapable by reason of illness or injury of managing or administering his own affairs;
- s/he is absent without the permission of the trustees from all their meetings held within a period of six months, and the trustees resolve that his office be vacated;
- s/he has been declared bankrupt and/or his estate has been seized from his possession for the benefit of his creditors and the declaration or seizure has not been discharged, annulled or reduced; or
- s/he is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or an interim order;
- s/he is subject to an order made under section 429(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under county court administration order);
- s/he ceases to be a trustee by virtue of any provision in the Companies Act 2006;
- s/he is disqualified from acting as a trustee by virtue of section 178 of the Charities Act 2011 (or any statutory re-enactment or modification of that provision); or
- s/he is otherwise found to be unsuitable by the Secretary of State;

- s/he has been removed from the office of charity trustee or trustee for a charity by an order made by the Charity Commission or the High Court on the grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement in the administration of the charity for which he was responsible; or to which he was privy; or which he, by his conduct, contributed to or facilitated;
- s/he has, at any time, been convicted of any criminal offence, excluding any that have been spent under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 as amended, and excluding any offence for which the maximum sentence is a fine or a lesser sentence except where a person has been convicted of any offence which falls under section 178 of the Charities Act 2011;
- s/he has not provided to the chairman of the trustees a criminal records certificate at an enhanced disclosure level under section 113B of the Police Act 1997.
- is included in the list of people considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children;
- is disqualified from working with children or subject to a direction under section 142 of the Education Act 2002;
- is disqualified from working with children under sections 28, 29 or 29A of the Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000;
- is disqualified from registration under Part 2 of the Children and Families (Wales) Measure 2010 for child minding or providing day care;
- is disqualified from registration under Part 3 of the Childcare Act 2006;
- has received a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than 3 months (without the option of a fine) in the 5 years before or since becoming a governor.

Further information is available in the [DfE Governance Handbook January 2017](#) and a copy of the Trust's Articles of Association can be found [here](#).

If you would like to be considered for this post please complete the enclosed nomination form and return it to the Clerk to the Trust no later than 15 February 2019. You may also include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words.

After submitting an expression of interest you will be required to attend an informal interview with the Chair of the Trust and or the CEO of the Trust, the Chair of the Local Governing Body of the relevant school and the Headteacher of the relevant school.