



Foundation Governor Vacancies



What it means to be a Foundation Governor at Our Lady of Lourdes School

What is a Foundation Governor?

- Foundation Governors are appointed by the Bishop
- They represent the Bishop's education policy to the Governing Board
- They preserve and develop the Catholic ethos of the school

What do Foundation Governors do?

- They operate at strategic level, ensuring that the Catholic vision and character of the school is upheld
- They hold the Headteacher and leadership team to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils and the performance management of staff
- They oversee the financial performance of the school and set the school's budget
- They manage the school's admissions criteria
- They recruit senior leadership

What are the time commitments and responsibilities?

- 10-12 hours per month **average**
- Attend at least five of six Full Governing Board meetings a year and sit on at least one committee (Resources, Quality and Standards, Admissions or Pay)
- Come into school for at least one link visit per term and report back to the team
- Attend training courses provided by the Diocese, LA Governor Support services or online

Who can be a Foundation Governor?

- All Governors must be at least 18 years
- To be a Foundation Governor, you must be a practicing Catholic
- Good governing boards have a wide range of skills and experiences – we would particularly welcome applications from persons with an interest in finance
- We consider all applications, but the following groups are currently under-represented: young persons (between 18 and 40), male, or from a minority ethnic background

How do I apply?

- Contact the clerk to the governors ruthali@lourdes.brighton-hove.sch.uk for an initial application form and to arrange a meeting with the co-chairs.

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