

Chairs of Governors' Leadership Development Programme

from the National College for School Leadership

Information for potential partners looking
to join this exciting new partnership



We are offering you the opportunity to provide existing and aspiring chairs in your area with a new, nationally-recognised programme.

Our partnership will provide you with flexible delivery models supported by a highly-credible and established partnership of experienced governor development experts.

The Chairs of Governors' Leadership Development Programme provides opportunities for chairs to develop their leadership skills through facilitated workshops, online activities, personal reflection and school-based learning. With school improvement as a key theme across the programme, it has been designed to help school governors focus on the essential elements of being an effective chair and leading strategic school improvement. The September 2012 Ofsted framework places greater emphasis on effective governance; this leadership programme provides a robust framework through which chairs and aspiring chairs can support and lead their governing body with confidence.

The National Governors' Association (NGA) has formed an exciting new partnership to provide this national programme, supported by local delivery partners, on behalf of the National College for School Leadership. The NGA is a not-for-profit, charitable organisation with a strong, national track record of developing governance and governor effectiveness and leadership. We are leading a large partnership of local providers including Local Authorities and Teaching Schools nationally and would like to hear from any potential partners who would like to get involved.

The partnership has been developed to offer our partners with a flexible, simple route to offering the National College's programme to the governors in your area. Specific benefits to you include:

- flexibility through a choice of delivery models
- partnership links with a reputable, credible partnership with a strong track-record of governor development
- representation on the partnership steering group
- centralised admin and online booking systems
- access to online materials and support
- access to shared mentoring support
- quality assured content and materials
- ability to set your own price to suit local delivery to your governors
- offer targeted delivery and support of schools in need

Partners already involved:

Partners comprise of a number of Local Authorities, Schools, Teaching Schools and Academies, these include:

Local Authorities and Third Sector Partners:

Adefcto & Primary Quest (serving Gloucestershire and beyond), Bedford Borough Council, Buckinghamshire, Cambridgeshire, Central Bedfordshire, Enfield, Essex, Harrow, Hertfordshire, Leeds, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Luton, Milton Keynes, Newham, Norfolk, Northamptonshire, Northumberland, Nottingham, Nottinghamshire, Oxfordshire, Peterborough, Southend and Stoke on Trent.

Schools, Academies and Teaching Schools:

Milton Keynes Teaching School Alliance, St Joseph College Teaching School, Derby Schools Learning Partnership and Catholic Archdiocese of Birmingham.

Overview of programme:

Unit 1: The role of the chair

In this unit, governors will have the opportunity to consider themselves as a leader and their role as lead governor through the following sections: Being a leader, Being a lead governor and Being a boundary worker.

Unit 2: Effective governance

In this unit, governors will learn how you can successfully lead their team of governors and what they can do to ensure the team fulfils its role and has a positive impact. This unit has the following sections: Being an effective team, Getting the best from the governing body, Leading the business and Succession planning for governors.

Unit 3: School improvement

In this unit governors will focus on good governance by discussing their organisations' purpose and the outcomes for its stakeholders through the following units: Driving school improvement, Leading change for improvement and Developing the governing body.

Delivery models for our partners:

Partners choose the delivery model which will most suit their needs, capacity and circumstance:

DIRECT DELIVERY - from NGA

This model will suit partners with limited capacity to deliver their own provision, but who wish to offer the programme locally. This is fully supported and delivered by national partners.

LOCAL DELIVERY:

This model will suit local partners who wish to deliver their own provision with mentoring and administration support provided by national partners.

For more information about the partnership and how you can get involved, please visit www.leadinggovernance.org or e-mail leadinggovernance@nga.org.uk