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Governor training and development programme

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“We strongly believe that supporting and developing governors is essential in meeting the growing demands and expectations within education.”



Welcome to the 2017/18 Training and Development Programme for Governors and Clerks

At GDS we believe education is at the heart of good governance. The Training and Development Programme is a comprehensive guide to the training available to help you develop in your role.

The pace of change in education continues to accelerate and this year is unlikely to be any different. Expectations of governors are high and our training programme aims to ensure that you are fully equipped to meet the challenges you face.

Our programme of courses covers much of the core business of governance but school-based bespoke training can also be delivered when requested.

Many of the courses are useful for governors, trustees and local academy committee members. Those responsible for governance are required to ensure that they are adequately knowledgeable to carry out their functions. The new Department for Education Competency Framework for Governance defines the knowledge, skills and behaviours needed for effective governance and raises the expectation that training is undertaken to fulfil the expected standard. You will see that throughout the programme we have referenced the six features of effective governance set out in the Governance Handbook and underpinned in the Competency Framework for Governance:

S Strategic Leadership **P** People **C** Compliance
A Accountability **St** Structures **E** Evaluation

In response to changes in the educational landscape and the specific needs of our governing bodies, we have developed a number of new courses covering areas such as the Duties of Academy Trustees and Effective Governance.

I very much look forward to working with and supporting you with the important work you do, it is much appreciated.

Helen Stockill
Governor Development Service

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