

Modern Governor e-learning catalogue

Quality training is vital for School Governors. It can be a challenge to provide good face-to-face training to every School Governor about the right topics at the right time.

Modern Governor from Learning Pool can help. Our e-learning lets School Governors develop their skills through e-learning whenever and wherever they have an internet connection.

Getting Started

Becoming a School Governor	Learn who can be a School Governor and what experience is desired. The course also covers how much time is required of a Governor and what qualifications are needed.
Some Governors' Questions Answered	Answers to frequently asked questions about the duration of service and using your experience as a Governor. Learn about the best practice for making Governor school visits and how to deal with concerns within the school. Including the role of both the Staff Governor and Parent Governor.
The New Governor	All the core information you need to get going as a new Governor with case studies to test your understanding.
My Role as a Governor	Understand the history of school Governing Bodies and how they are organised today. This module is an introduction to your role and responsibilities as a Governor.
Governance of a Church School	Explore Church Schools and take a look at the different types of Church School - Voluntary-aided (VA), Voluntary-controlled (VC), Foundation Schools and Academies. You'll also learn about the role of a Governor in a Church School and discover the behaviours and actions that can help your school become an excellent example of Christian faith and teaching.
Chairing Governing Body Meetings	Find out what key skills are involved in chairing meetings effectively, including pre-meeting preparation, how to ensure that everyone is heard and ensuring that the meeting's objectives are achieved.
The Role of a Clerk	This module explores the role of the Clerk, and why an effective Clerk is considered crucial to the effective running of a Governing Body. Discover what's required for a Clerk to fulfil their responsibilities and also how the Governing Body can work best with the Clerk.
Effective Minute Writing	This e-learning module examines how you can write good minutes for Governing Body and Committee meetings.

Developing your Governing Body

Is Governor Mark for us?	Governor Mark is an optional accreditation for School Governing Bodies to assess the effectiveness of Governance in their school. Using case studies, this module informs you of the necessary processes, timescale and involvement required to successfully achieve the standard.
Governing Body Health Check Questionnaire	Part of a Self-Review tool designed to help governing bodies evaluate how they meet statutory requirements and ensure their practices meet the highest possible standards.
School Governors and Writing for the Web	Your school can choose from a bewildering range of communications technologies - and the communication isn't a one-way street. Parents, pupils and members of the public can contact your school in a lot of different ways. Your school needs to be aware of how the internet has changed communication channels forever - and it needs to be able to take advantage of these new ways of talking and listening.

School Governors and Social Media

Understand what social media is and how it can benefit your school. Learners will know what is meant by social media and what the most popular tools are as well as how to develop a strategy for best use of social media to support their work.

The module also covers how to create profiles, pages, sites or content using the tools to promote what you are doing.

Legislation and Policy

School Finance

An overview of school funding and expenditure. The course covers 2 topics: Budget Basics and Charging, Donations and Fundraising.

Looked-after Children

Understand the difficulties that looked after children encounter, the support available and what role School Governors play. With suggested actions for Governors.

Self-evaluation and the new Ofsted Framework

Released in July 2010 this module reflects the changes instigated by the introduction of the new Ofsted framework and supersedes our previous Ofsted course.

It covers how Governors should work with various tools including SEF and RAISEonline and how a SIP can support and advise you. It will explain how and why Ofsted inspects schools and presents you with a fictional case study of an Ofsted inspection to explore how a school can respond to an inspection.

Admissions and Discipline

Learn about strategies and procedures that will help you appreciate both the legal and practical issues involved in pupil admissions and discipline. The course covers two topics: Admissions Procedure and Policy and Discipline and Exclusions.

Safeguarding and Promoting Child Welfare

A review on the difference between safeguarding and child protection. Covering the policies your school must have in place; how your school can ensure a safe recruitment process; what you should do in a case of suspected abuse or neglect and how to report on or respond to an allegation of abuse and the basic signs of neglect or abuse.

School Recruitment Practices

A review of the principles of performance management and an introduction to the recruitment and retention of staff. Covering three topics: Recruitment Basics; Staff Performance and Retention; Succession Planning and Headship Recruitment.

Health and Safety

An overview of Health and Safety in schools, including external trips.

Community Cohesion

How your school can assess its contribution towards community cohesion and how you can build and strengthen a cohesive community in your area.

Equality and Diversity for School Governors

Understand what Equality and Diversity means for you, for different social groups, and for schools. Identify the key legislation and guidelines relating to equality and diversity in schools, think about the best way to implement policies and plans and understand your responsibilities under the law. This course will help you to figure out the best way to handle any related situations which might arise in your school.

Modern Governor is an annual subscription, charged per school, for unlimited learners. Schools can buy for £299 or, via their local authority, for £89 or less.

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