Bradford Diocesan Academies Trust

# Become a School Governor

Make a difference to young people's lives.

*Inspire futures. Strengthen schools. Shape communities.*

## ✨ About BDAT

BDAT is a family of schools working collaboratively to drive outcomes and experiences for young people across our 21 schools within Bradford. BDAT is seeking dedicated and passionate individuals to join our Local Governing Bodies. As a Governor, you'll help to shape the future of education, supporting our schools and ensuring every pupil has the opportunity to thrive and flourish.

## 👥 Why Become a Governor?

- **Make a lasting impact** on the lives of young people.
- **Develop your skills** and gain valuable experience in strategic thinking and decision making, data analysis and financial oversight, and leadership and teamwork.
- **Support school leaders** in delivering high standards.
- **Champion diversity and inclusion** in education.
- **Give back** and use your expertise to strengthen local communities.
- **Collaborate** with dedicated education professionals and volunteers.

## 🎓 What We're Looking For

We welcome individuals from all backgrounds. You don't need to have worked in education – you just need to be passionate about making a difference. We're particularly interested in individuals who can demonstrate:

- Commitment to improving education
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Willingness to learn
- Integrity and discretion
- Constructive challenge and support

## ⏰ Your Commitment

- **Meetings:** attend around six meetings a year (usually held in the evenings).
- **Preparation:** read agendas and papers in advance of meetings to contribute effectively to discussions.
- **Compliance:** complete required training, confirmations, and declarations.
- **Engagement:** visit school once a term to carry out monitoring visits or attend school events.
- **Professionalism:** bring enthusiasm, integrity, and a commitment to ongoing development.

## 💡 What Support You'll Receive

- **Comprehensive induction** for all new Governors, introducing you to BDAT, your school, and your key responsibilities.
- **Ongoing training and development** opportunities.
- **Dedicated support from the BDAT Governance Team** for guidance on procedures and compliance.
- **Access to experienced school and Trust leaders**, offering insights, strategic updates, and sector expertise.
- **Regular newsletters and briefings** from BDAT to keep you informed of key developments.

## 📩 How to Apply

Interested in joining?

🌐 Visit our website for more information: Governor Opportunities - Bradford Diocesan Academies Trust

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