

Dear families

Recently, we have had a number of families express an interest in being a parent governor. Currently, we are looking for people to join our local academy board. Instead of thinking of it as being a governor as you might typically know it as, let's focus on what it really means: being deeply involved in your community, listening to what everyone has to say, and tackling the challenges we face together.

Are you interested? We need parents/family members, teachers, and other community members to join us. Our academy isn't separate from the community: it's a crucial part of it. Besides educating our young people, it helps make our community a better place.

Understanding our community is key. We need to know what families, students, and others are going through: their worries, their problems, what they hope and dream for, and what they need.

If you want to be part of our local academy board ambassador, talk to the principal or head of school at your local / nearest school. Board ambassadors meet four times a year.

Here's what you'll do:

- Work with other members to plan the academy's future.
- Speak up for students, parents, and teachers to make sure everyone feels supported.
- Be part of shaping policies and programmes to help students who might be struggling.
- Keep an eye on how well we're doing in academics and connecting with the community.

We're looking for people who:

- Care about helping students and their local community.
- Want to support students in reaching their goals.
- Are good at working with others and talking things through.
- Can give time and skills to help our academy and the community.

Check out our governance page for more info on what the local academy board does: <https://www.dixonsat.com/about/governance>

If you are interested in being part of our local academy board, please can you email info@dixonsco.com. I would like to speak to all families who are interested before we finish for the seasonal break, so please can you respond by Friday 6 December.

Yours sincerely



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Principal

