

## Who can stand as and vote for parent governors

The definition of a parent in education legislation includes:

- all natural parents whether they are married or not;
- any person who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility for a child or young person and;
- any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child or young person

Parents who are **NOT** eligible to stand in parent governor elections are:

- parents who are paid to work at the school for more than 500 hours in any consecutive 12 month period at the time of election.

## How to nominate yourself

If you would like to put your name forward, you must complete a nomination form and a self-declaration form.

You should use the space provided on the form to write a brief personal statement to support your nomination.

The statement should be of sufficient length to set out:

- evidence of the extent to which you possess the skills and experience the governing body desires;
- your commitment to undertake training to acquire or develop the skills to be an effective governor;
- if seeking your re-election, details of your contribution to the work of the governing body during your previous term of office; and
- how you plan to contribute to the future work of the governing body.

## Depending on the number of vacancies

If there is only one nomination this candidate will be elected unopposed.

If there is more than one nomination, an election will take place. The statements of all candidates will be typed in a standard format and circulated to all parents with a ballot paper.