

Dear Parent

There is currently a vacancy for a Parent Governor on the Local Governing Body at our Academy. We are looking in the first instance for applications from parents with experience in either Education or Business. This would complement our diverse governing body. Training will be provided for anyone who is new to such a role. Please contact the Donna Nash, Clerk to Governors, at the academy on 883333 or email dnash@ormistonhorizonacademy.co.uk if you wish to discuss this further.

Have you thought about becoming a Parent Governor?

Becoming a Parent Governor offers you the opportunity to make a real contribution to the life and work of our academy. Governors play a key role in the leadership of the academy and work together with the Principal, staff and other governors to ensure that our academy provides a challenging and supportive environment for its students.

Who can be a Parent Governor?

All parents and carers of registered students are eligible to become Parent Governors. Every parent, whether or not you live with the student, is entitled to be nominated as a Parent Governor and to vote in a Parent Governor Election. Someone who has parental responsibility or day-to-day care of a student is also eligible to serve and to vote. Parents/carers who have paid employment in the academy for 500 hours per academic year or more or who are elected members of the Local Authority are not eligible to stand in these elections.

How long do Parent Governors serve for?

The usual term of office is four years from the date of appointment with a review meeting after the first year. If you choose to, you can complete your term of office even if your child has since left the academy.

How are Parent Governors nominated and elected?

If you would like to put your name forward, please complete the nomination form and submit a statement stating why you would like to be a governor (no more than 150 words). The closing date and time for the receipt of nominations is **Monday 12th February 2018**. If more than one nomination is received, an election will be held and the ballot papers for this will be sent to all parents and carers. Please return nominations to main reception for the attention of the Clerk to Governors.

If you are interested and would like to find out more, then why not contact us here at the academy. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Donna Nash

Nomination form for the election of a Parent Governor

Name of Nominee:

Address:

I wish to stand for election as a Parent Governor at Ormiston Horizon Academy.

- I confirm that I am a parent/carer of a registered student at the academy.
 I confirm that I am not disqualified from holding office for any of the reasons set out in the School Governance Regulations.

Signature

Date

As nominee you may submit a personal statement (no more than 150 words) containing information about yourself to be issued to parents with the ballot paper.

Please note any person elected to the post will be required to obtain a DBS check, which the academy will arrange.

Your nomination requires a reference who is also a parent/carer of a registered student at the academy. They must not, however, be your spouse, partner or members of your immediate family.

I confirm that I am willing to act as a reference for the above nominee to be elected as a Parent Governor.

Name of referee:

Address:

Signature

Date

Please return this form to Donna Nash, Clerk to Governors at the academy by Monday 12th February 2018