

## Find governors and trustees



Inspiring Governance is the FREE, national online recruitment service that connects schools with skilled volunteers interested in becoming governors and trustees. We also provide FREE training and support for new appointees.

### Online matching

We know that schools and trusts sometimes find it a challenge to recruit governors and trustees with the necessary business skills, especially in areas such as finance, HR and operations.

Inspiring Governance works with businesses and networks around the country to encourage employees to volunteer. We then provide an online matching service to make it as easy as possible for schools and groups of schools to find volunteers in their area.

### FREE expert support for new governors

In partnership with the National Governance Association (NGA), Inspiring Governance provides free support and resources for any governor or trustee placed through the service. This includes:

- dedicated telephone and email support through the first year
- NGA's induction guide for new governors in MATs and in maintained schools
- access to NGA's online guidance centre containing a wealth of resources
- free training through NGA's e-learning induction programme (8 themed modules)
- membership of the Young Governors' Network, for governors under the age of 40

### Multi-school vacancies

If you are looking to fill vacancies in multiple schools, for instance in a multi-academy trust, local authority or diocese, we can also help. Please fill in the short form at [www.inspiringgovernance.org](http://www.inspiringgovernance.org) or contact us using the details on the right.



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Every week at least 7 more skilled governors are placed on governing boards through the Inspiring Governance service.  
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As a recruiting board, simply sign up at [www.inspiringgovernance.org](http://www.inspiringgovernance.org) to find volunteers near you who are interested in becoming school governors and trustees.

### Interested in finding out more?

Get in touch:

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## Find volunteers with the matching service

# 4 STEPS

We make it easy for you to find volunteers based on the skills you're looking for in a new governor or trustee. We ask all potential volunteers who register with the service to list their skills and experience so that you can search for individuals in your area with the skills you need.

### 1

We'll get to  
know you

It all starts with a simple online form at [www.inspiringgovernance.org](http://www.inspiringgovernance.org). When you register you'll tell us a bit about your school and come prepared with information about the type of governor and skills you are looking for. You can find links to a free skills audit and role descriptors on our website.

### 2

You'll  
search

Once you register you'll be able to search a pool of local volunteers who are interested in becoming governors or trustees. You can select as many as you like. You then contact them via the Inspiring Governance messaging service to tell them a bit about your vacancy, and set up a call to discuss the role generally.

### 3

You'll  
interview

If you and the volunteer decide to go ahead, you'll want to go through your normal interview process to check that they are clear about the role and it is a good fit. You can arrange everything, including the time and place, through the Inspiring Governance online platform. Please note you will still need to carry out an enhanced DBS check; this is not done through the service.

Of course not every volunteer is suitable, so you can continue searching for and contacting volunteers until you find the right one. New volunteers join every day so it is worth checking back if you don't make a match the first time.

### 4

We'll  
support

If you recruit, great! Let us know and your new governor or trustee will receive access to a range of support and training through the National Governance Service (NGA). This includes telephone support to walk them through their first year, an induction guide, access to NGA's online guidance, and e-learning modules.

Still have questions? We're here to help you find the right volunteers. Get in touch, either through the website or the contact details overleaf. We'd love to hear from you.