

A person is disqualified from becoming a governor if they:

- are under 18 at the date of election or appointment;
- are a person who is detained under the Mental Health Act 1983;
- are the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or an interim order;
- have had their estate sequestrated and the sequestration has not been discharged, annulled or reduced
- have been removed from the office of charity trustee or trustee for a charity by the Charity Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct, or mismanagement, or under Section 7 of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990 from being concerned in the management or control of any body;
- are included in the list of teachers or workers prohibited or restricted from working with children or young people;
- are disqualified from working with children;
- are disqualified from being an independent school proprietor, teacher or employee by the Secretary of State for Education and Skills;
- have received a sentence of imprisonment (whether served or not) for a period of not less than three months (without the option of a fine) in the five years before becoming a governor or since becoming a governor;
- have received a prison sentence of 2.5 years or more in the 20 years before becoming a governor;
- have at any time received a prison sentence of five years or more;;
- have been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the five years prior to or since appointment or election as a governor;
- they refuse an application being made to the Criminal Records Bureau for a criminal records certificate

A person is disqualified from election or appointment as a parent governor if they are an elected member of the LA or if they work at the school for more than 500 hours in any school year. In addition a person may not be **appointed** as a parent governor unless they are:

- a parent of a registered pupil at the school, or
- a parent of a former pupil of the school, or
- a parent of a child of or under compulsory school age, (Special Schools only - and with special educational needs for which the school is approved), or
- a parent with experience of educating a child with special education needs - Special Schools only