

Key facts: Chairs of Governors' Leadership Development Programme

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Being a chair of governors is a key leadership role and governing bodies are central to the effective accountability of schools and academies. Our new national programme will develop chairs of governors as leaders.

1. The programme has been designed to support all chairs of governors, whether you are aspiring, new to the role or well-established.
2. It gives chairs the opportunity to develop their leadership skills through facilitated workshops, online activities, personal reflection and school-based learning.
3. With school improvement as a key theme across the programme, each unit then focuses on an essential element of being an effective chair:
 - Unit 1: The role of the chair
 - Unit 2: Effective governance
 - Unit 3: School improvement
4. Each unit takes one term to complete. Units can be studied consecutively or you can choose to undertake a single unit dependent on your needs.
5. The programme includes:
 - one workshop per unit, providing opportunities to collaborate and learn with peers
 - opportunities to reflect on leadership practice
 - school-based activities leading to school improvement
 - access to a mentor to provide support, guidance and challenge
 - accessible interactive online content
 - an online leadership diagnostic to guide your development
6. The programme is available nationally through 18 regional licensees. Please visit our [website](#) to find out more, including contact information and how to apply.
7. The recommended retail price for the full programme (all three units) is £350, however, this may vary between licensees.
8. For further information and to get involved, email us at chair.ofgovernors@nationalcollege.gsi.gov.uk.



“The College’s new remit provides us with a really exciting opportunity to recognise the talents we have and to develop chairs as school leaders”

Chair of governors, Oxford

Programme model:

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