

WEST KIRBY PRIMARY SCHOOL DISQUALIFICATIONS FROM GOVERNORSHIP

A governor must be aged 18 or over at the time of their election or appointment.

A person cannot hold more than one governorship at the same school.

A person is disqualified from being a governor or associate member if they:

- Are detained under the Mental Health Act 1983 during their period of office;
- have failed to attend governing body meetings for a continuous period of six months, beginning with the date of the first meeting missed, without the consent of the governing body (not applicable to ex officio governors);
- are subject to a bankruptcy restriction order or an interim order;
- have had their estate sequestrated and the sequestration order has not been discharged, annulled or reduced;
- are subject to:
 - a disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Act 1986
 - a disqualification order under Part 2 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1989
 - a disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002
 - an order made under section 492(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under county court administration order);
- 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 34 of the Charities and Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 from participating in the management or control of any body;
- are included in the list of people considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children;
- are disqualified from working with children or subject to a direction under section 142 of the Education Act 2002;
- are disqualified from registration for childminding or providing day care;
- are disqualified from registration under Part 3 of the Childcare Act 2006;
- have received a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended 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 2½ years or more in the 20 years before becoming a governor;
- have at any time received a prison sentence of 5 years or more;
- have been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the 5 years prior to or since the appointment or election as a governor;
- refuse to allow an application to the Criminal Records Bureau for a criminal records certificate.

A person is disqualified from election or appointment as a **parent governor** of a school if they are:

- an elected member of the local authority; or
- if they work at the school for more than 500 hours in a school year.

A person is disqualified from appointment as a **co-opted governor** if they are:

- a registered pupil at the school;
- eligible to be a staff governor at the school; or
- if they are an elected member of the local authority to which the school belongs.

School staff who are eligible for election as **staff governors** (i.e. who are paid to work at the school) are not eligible to serve as:

- LA governors; or
- Co-opted governors at their school.