

Professional Learning Opportunities for School Governors

2019 - 2020



Introduction

The Central South Consortium recognises the importance of Governors and the key role that they play in supporting and challenging their schools.

To support them in this valuable role Central South Consortium is delivering the mandatory training sessions for Governors. Alongside these mandatory sessions, the Consortium will also deliver a number of sessions which are pertinent to their role in school improvement.

You are able to attend these courses in any Local Authority.

How to apply for courses

To register a place on any Governor training courses please email:

- **Bridgend:** pupilservices@bridgend.gov.uk
- **Cardiff:** governor.services@cardiff.gov.uk
- **Merthyr Tydfil:** hayley.craze@merthyr.gov.uk
- **RCT:** governor.support@rctcbc.gov.uk
- **Vale of Glamorgan:** governors@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

All course bookings will be acknowledged prior to the course date.

If you are unable to attend any of the courses you have booked, please inform CSCGovernor@cscjes.org.uk at your earliest convenience prior to the course date.

If there is insufficient demand for any course at any venue, it will be cancelled and you will be contacted and offered alternative provision wherever possible.

Training Venues

Bridgend

Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen

Heol yr Ysgol, Tondy CF32 9EL

Pencoed Comprehensive School

Coychurch Road, Pencoed CF35 5LZ

Cardiff

County Hall

Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff CF10 4UW

St. Teilo's Church in Wales High School

Circle Way East, Cardiff CF23 9PD

Ysgol Bro Edern

Llanedeyrn Road, Penylan CF23 9DT

Merthyr Tydfil

Council Offices

Unit 5, Triangle Business Park,
Pentrebach CF48 4TQ

Vale of Glamorgan

Civic Offices

Holton Road, Barry CF63 4RU

Rhondda Cynon Taf

Aberdare Community School

The Ynys, Aberdare CF44 7RP

Bryncelynnog Comprehensive School

Penycoedcae Road, Beddau,
Pontypridd CF38 2AE

Council Offices

Tŷ Trevithick, Abercynon CF45 4UQ

Mountain Ash Comprehensive School

New Road, Mountain Ash CF45 4DG

Pontypridd High School

Albion Community Campus,
Cilfynydd, Pontypridd CF37 4SF

Porth Community School

Cemetery Road, Porth CF39 0BS

Tonyrefail Community School

Gilfach Road, Tonyrefail CF39 8HG

Induction Training

This is a mandatory course for new Governors and must be completed within the first year of appointment.

It will ensure that Governors:

- have the required knowledge and understanding to begin to fulfil their role effectively as a Governor to support their school in raising standards;
- are aware of national and local educational issues and their impact on governing bodies; and
- recognise the importance of training and the need to develop their skills and take advantage of other training opportunities available to them.

We recommend attending this course before the Understanding Data training.

Venue	LA	Date	Time
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	Wed 02/10/2019	18:00-20:00
Mountain Ash Comprehensive School	RCT	Tue 08/10/2019	16:00-18:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Thu 24/10/2019	18:00-20:00
Porth Community School	RCT	Wed 06/11/2019	18:00-20:00
County Hall	Cardiff	Tue 19/11/2019	18:00-20:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Wed 04/12/2019	17:00-19:00
Coleg Cymunedol Y Dderwen	Bridgend	Thu 05/12/2019	18:00-20:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Wed 15/01/2020	18:00-20:00
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	Tue 21/01/2020	18:00-20:00
Council Offices, Pentrebach	Merthyr	Tue 28/01/2020	17:00-19:00
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	Tue 25/02/2020	17:30-19:30
Tŷ Trevithick	RCT	Thu 27/02/2020	15:30-17:30
Civic Offices	Vale	Thu 12/03/2020	17:00-19:00
Pencoed Comprehensive School	Bridgend	Tue 24/03/2020	18:00-20:00
Council Offices, Pentrebach	Merthyr	Thu 30/04/2020	17:00-19:00
County Hall	Cardiff	Tue 05/05/2020	17:30-19:30
Tonyrefail Community School	RCT	Tue 12/05/2020	18:00-20:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Thu 14/05/2020	18:00-20:00
Aberdare Community School	RCT	Wed 10/06/2020	16:00-18:00
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	Thu 11/06/2020	18:00-20:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Tue 23/06/2020	17:00-19:00

Welsh Medium Induction Training

YGG Bro Edern	Cardiff	Wed 16/10/2019	17:00-19:00
Tŷ Trevithick	RCT	Tue 14/01/2020	15:30-17:30
YGG Bro Edern	Cardiff	Tue 28/04/2020	17:00-19:00

Understanding Data Training

- This is a mandatory course for new Governors and will provide them with an understanding of school performance data and the knowledge to enable them to ask questions about the data to fulfil their role effectively to raise standards in school.
- The training will also assist Governors to carry out their roles effectively and to assess where improvements need to be made in schools to raise standards.

We recommended attending our Induction training before this session.

Venue	LA	Date	Time
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	Wed 23/10/2019	18:00-20:00
Mountain Ash Comprehensive School	RCT	Wed 20/11/2019	17:00-19:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Thu 21/11/2019	18:00-20:00
County Hall	Cardiff	Tue 03/12/2019	17:00-19:00
Tŷ Trevithick	RCT	Wed 29/01/2020	18:00-20:00
Coleg Cymunedol Y Dderwen	Bridgend	Thu 06/02/2020	18:00-20:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Wed 12/02/2020	18:00-20:00
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	Thu 13/02/2020	18:00-20:00
Porth Community School	RCT	Wed 11/03/2020	16:00-18:00
Council Offices, Pentrebach	Merthyr	Wed 25/03/2020	17:00-19:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Tue 31/03/2020	18:00-20:00
County Hall	Cardiff	Thu 02/04/2020	17:30-19:30
Pencoed Comprehensive School	Bridgend	Wed 29/04/2020	18:00-20:00
Council Offices, Pentrebach	Merthyr	Wed 17/06/2020	17:00-19:00
Bryncelynnog Comprehensive School	RCT	Wed 24/06/2020	16:00-18:00
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	Tue 30/06/2020	18:00-20:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Thu 02/07/2020	18:00-20:00

Welsh Medium Understanding Data Training

County Hall	Cardiff	Tue 12/11/2019	17:30-19:30
Tŷ Trevithick	RCT	Tue 03/03/2020	15:30-17:30
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	Tue 09/06/2020	17:30-19:30

Chairperson Training

This is a mandatory course for new Chairs to be completed within 6 months of appointment, but is also open to Vice-Chairs.

This course will support Chairs to:

- have the required knowledge and understanding to fulfil their role effectively to support school improvement, raise standards of performance, ensure pupils' wellbeing and improve the quality of education provided.
- develop and enhance their understanding of the role of an effective Chair in leading the governing body;
- enhance their confidence and leadership skills and their ability to develop effective relationships with their headteacher, enabling them to offer both challenge and support to the school;
- be aware of national and local educational issues and their impact on governing bodies; and
- recognise the importance of training and the need to develop their skills and those of the governing body and take advantage of other training opportunities available to them.

Venue	LA	Date	Time
County Hall	Cardiff	Tue 26/11/2019	18:00-20:00
Pontypridd High School	RCT	Tue 10/12/2019	16:00-18:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Thu 26/03/2020	18.00-20:00

Performance Management Training

This training session is intended for Governors who sit on the headteacher performance management panel and aims to ensure that the role of that panel is clear and will support the professional development of the headteacher.

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Coleg Cymunedol Y Dderwen	Bridgend	Thu 17/10/2019	18:00-20:00
Pontypridd High School	RCT	Tue 22/10/2019	17:00-19:00
County Hall	Cardiff	Thu 07/11/2019	18:00-20:00
Council Offices, Pentrebach	Merthyr	Wed 05/02/2020	18:00-20:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Wed 18/03/2020	18:00-20:00

Challenge and Support Workshop

The critical friend aspect is one of the most important parts of a Governor's role, yet it can also be one of the most difficult to accomplish.

This course will look at the different ways that Governors can provide challenge and support, using the Estyn framework as a guide, providing practical advice and examples of good practice.

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County Hall	Cardiff	Wed 27/11/2019	18:00-20:00
Pontypridd High School	RCT	Thu 23/01/2020	18:00-20:00
Civic Offices	Vale	Tue 04/02/2020	18:00-20:00
Council Offices, Pentrebach	Merthyr	Tue 10/03/2020	17:30-19:30
County Hall	Cardiff	Tue 19/05/2020	18:00-20:00
Coleg Cymunedol Y Dderwen	Bridgend	Tue 16/06/2020	18:00-20:00

Future Training Opportunities

The Consortium, as part of our training programme, offers briefing sessions that cover a range of hot topics in education. We will be providing details of these sessions in due course.

We are also pleased to announce that based on the continued success of our Governors' conferences, we will be holding our fourth Annual Governors' Conference in the Summer Term 2020.

If your Governing Body has identified a specific training need please contact us directly:

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