

Essex Governors & Clerks Conference
Saturday 13 March 2010
9.15am – 4.30pm
Weston Homes Community Stadium
Colchester Football Club CO4 5UP

Once again we are pleased to invite our Essex school governors and clerks to our annual Conference. The theme this year is **Accountability** and we will be offering a variety of workshops relating to this topic.

Our opening speakers this year are Terry Reynolds, Director of School Improvement & Early Years and Joan Hewitt, Advisory Inspector, School Improvement & Early Years. They will be focusing on accountability through the new Ofsted Framework.

To close this year's conference we have some members from *Team Essex's 2012 Olympic Ambassadors* who will be focusing on their aspirations and participation in the Olympic and Paralympic Games

The conference is held in appreciation of the important voluntary work undertaken by school governors and to extend communication between school governors and the Local Authority.

To support this aim we will be offering governors and clerks the opportunity to network with other governors, executive members of the Essex School Governors' Association and a wide range of Local Authority staff. In addition there will be the opportunity to share information and experiences and explore common issues.

The Schools' Learning and Development team look forward to welcoming you on Saturday 13 March 2010.

We are sure you will have an enjoyable day.



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ESSEX SCHOOL GOVERNORS' ASSOCIATION

Programme

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| 8.45am - 9.15am | Registration & refreshments |
| 9.15am - 9.30am | Welcome |
| 9.30am – 10.40am | Terry Reynolds & Joan Hewitt Being accountable to Ofsted. |
| 10.40am - 11.15am | Refreshments & networking |
| 11.15am - 12.15pm | Workshop 1 |
| 12.15pm – 1.30pm | Lunch & network governor surgeries |
| 1.30pm - 2.30pm | Workshop 2 |
| 2.30pm - 3.00pm | Refreshments & networking |
| 3.00pm - 3.40pm | Team Essex's 2012 Olympic Ambassadors |
| 3.45pm | Closing address by Chair of ESGA |

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| <p>1) Ofsted Inspection Questions and Answer session (am only –Joan Hewitt , Advisory Inspector SIEY</p> | <p>7) Community Cohesion, reflecting new inspection framework – Steven Brand, Curriculum Development Advisor</p> |
| <p>2) Safeguarding, reflecting new inspection framework — Pam Langmead, Governor Tutor</p> | <p>8) Being an Effective Governing Body – Challenge and Support- Caroline Scott – Governor Tutor</p> |
| <p>3a) Using the new Ofsted framework to measure Attainment & Achievement in Secondary Schools (am only) – Gareth Jones, Head of Secondary Improvement.</p> <p>3b) Using the new Ofsted framework to measure Attainment & Achievement in Primary Schools (pm only) - Stephen Mellors, School Improvement Advisor.</p> | <p>9) Working in partnership with Building Schools for the Future (BSF) & Primary Capital Programme (PCP) – Jo Lang, Strategic Development Partnership Officer</p> |
| <p>4) London 2012 Games , Education opportunities for schools in Essex- Dominic Collins, Partnership Manager Strategic Sport, 2012 Legacy Team</p> | <p>10) Governor Visits, being accountable – Debbi Botham, Governors Services' Officer</p> |
| <p>5) Pupil Guarantee- how will schools implement the changes? - Sandra Johnson, Area Improvement Advisor</p> | <p>11) How does your school work in the community – Helen Gilbert, Extended Services Development Manager</p> |
| <p>6) Questions I should ask my school about vulnerable groups – Cathryn Adams, Narrowing the gap Officer</p> | <p>12) Dealing with poor staff performance – Nicki Harris, HR Manager</p> |

Booking information:

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

The closing date for applications is Monday 1 March 2010.

Should the conference be oversubscribed priority will be given for up to three governors from each school.

Cost:

The conference is at no additional cost to governors from subscribing schools. Attendees from non-subscribing Essex maintained schools will be charged £180 and for those from other non-subscribing schools the conference fee is £220 per delegate.

Lunch and refreshments are included.

How to apply:

Complete the application form. Indicate your **two workshop** preferred choices. Allocation of workshops will be made as **bookings are received**. Every effort will be made to meet your choices, although we cannot guarantee them, therefore also add a reserve choice of workshop. You will be notified of your workshops at registration.

If you have any special dietary requirements please use the space provided to let us know. Also any mobility issues that we need to be aware of. The venue has lifts to all floors.

A map of how to get to the venue will be sent to you with your booking confirmation

Return your application form to us via :

Fax to: 01245 436214

Or by post to:
Schools' Learning & Development
PO Box 47
Chelmsford CM2 6WN

Please note it is not possible to book your place at the conference by telephone or on-line.

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Application Form

**Please complete this form in block capitals and return by
Monday 1 March 2010 to:**

**Schools' Learning & Development: by fax 01245 436214
or by post to Schools Learning & Development, PO Box 47, Chelmsford,
Essex CM2 6WN**

Surname: Forename:

Title: Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other (please specify)

Home address:

Post Code Day time Telephone Number:

E-mail address:

School where you are a governor:

Please circle *ONLY TWO* workshop choices and write in a reserve

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Do you have any special dietary requirements? (please specify)

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Do you have any other mobility/access requirements? (please specify)

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Please note: The personal information you provide to Essex County Council will be used and shared only in connection with your role as a school governor and in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. If you have any concerns about the way we handle personal information or would like to see any personal information held on you by Essex County Council please contact: Information Sharing Information Security (ISIS) Essex County Council, PO Box 11, Chelmsford, CM1 1LX Tel: 01245 431851 Email: isis@essexcc.gov.uk