



Abbey Gate College

About Abbey Gate College

Abbey Gate College is an independent school for pupils aged 4-18 years, located just 10 minutes away from the heart of Chester, nestled in acres of beautiful grounds surrounded by historic buildings as well as offering modern facilities.

The College is a unique, inspiring and nurturing place to learn and grow, where the caring and committed teaching and support staff do all that they can to help your child fulfil their potential.

The College is a safe and friendly school community, where we work with each child's individual interests, passions and strengths; while also encouraging them to try new things, take risks and be creative.

The aim of the College is to lead and coach each child during these critical, formative years, so that they may achieve the best they can academically with a clear sense of self and how they can go on to make a positive difference to our world in the future - with courage and with compassion.

The remit of the Board is wide ranging, and we work closely together in order to deliver the aims of the College under the three pillars of Service, Self and Sustainability.

Our Mission:

We are committed, within our safe and caring community, that each one of our pupils will become the best that they can be and have the self-belief to go forward into this changeable world with courage and with compassion.

Our Aims:

We pursue our whole College mission, guided by three defining and aspirational aims:



SELF

Each pupil cares for their mental and physical wellbeing; learns and achieves to their individual potential; and is content, comfortable and confident to be who they are in our diverse and inclusive College.



SERVICE

Each pupil makes a positive difference to the lives of others in our College, as well as in our local and in wider, global communities.



SUSTAINABILITY

Each pupil contributes towards preserving and protecting the planet we all inherit and share, and has the opportunity to be creative and innovative; to help further humanity's progress in the future.

Our website and active Social Media channels provide further insight into the life and history of the College.

Position Description:

As part of our succession plan we are seeking to appoint new governors. The governors of the College also act as charity trustees and company directors. The role is at the strategic level in a non-executive capacity, the College being run very effectively at an operational level by the Head and leadership team. We are committed to delivering excellent education in a safe and nurturing environment. The Staff working at the College fully support the Board and work diligently in delivering the Strategic Plan.

The Board has 5 Committees helping to deliver the core business under the remits of Education, Wellbeing, Finance, Promotions and Estates.

This is a voluntary position, but governors' expenses, which are directly incurred and approved, will be covered, including training costs.

Skills sought:

Roles for aspiring governors are available on each of our Board committees requiring skills in education, finance, safeguarding, business, marketing, IT, estate management, HR and general company and employment law.

To apply:

If you believe you have the necessary skills or are looking to develop your skills still further and are seeking a non-executive director position in the independent education sector we would be pleased to hear from you. In the first instance, this might involve a Teams meeting with the current chair and the company secretary to answer your questions and generally provide more information. Please contact the clerktogovernors@abbeygatecollege.co.uk to express your interest in a role by 10 March 2025.

Please visit our website at www.abbeygatecollege.co.uk for more information about the College.

