Policy statement on provider access

School Provider Access Policy

Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the school for the purposes of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Student entitlement

Students in years 8-13 are entitled:

- To find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeships opportunities, as part of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point.
- To hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships through options evenings, assemblies and group discussions and taster events.
- To understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Dan Laidler, Assistant Headteacher (Careers Leader).

Telephone: 0191 2347200; Email: info@xxx.org

Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	Career Speed Dating		Career Zone Event with
	with support from FE		support from colleges,
	Colleges and Training		apprenticeship providers
	Providers		and Training Providers

Year 9	Connexions LMI workshop Fast Tomato Programme with explicit links to FE/HE & apprenticeship routes PSHCE Workshop on LMI and regional career pathways FutureMe Destination Success Performance on career pathways		
Year 10	PSHCE Programme with focus on pathways and routes into future careers Opt-in visit to Skills North East Careers Fair (Sept 19)	Careers Speed Dating with specific Post 16/18 opportunity focus	World of Work Week supported by Apprenticeship Providers Work with Royal Air Force
Year 11	Opportunities at FE Assembly Parent/Carer Apprenticeship Breakfast followed by Student Apprenticeship Assembly (extended) supported by 10+ apprenticeship providers	FE Visits Job club to support access to apprenticeships (Connexions & CCC Staff)	Job club to support access to apprenticeships (Connexions & CCC Staff)
Year 12		Work Experience with investigative thread on availability and value of apprenticeships	Assembly and Progression Pathway Module and Mock Interview supported by Apprenticeship providers

Year 13	Mock Assessment Centre	Job club to support
	hosted by Apprenticeship	access to
	Providers	apprenticeships
	Job club to support access to apprenticeships	

Please speak to our named Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

The school policy on safeguarding weblink sets out the school's approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students.

Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Learning Resource Centre, which is managed by the school librarian. The Learning Resource Centre is available to all students at lunch and break times.

Approval and review

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Signed: Paul Johnson - Headteacher

Tracey Booth - Chair of Governors