

Beechwood School

Provider Access Policy

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1. Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at Beechwood, 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.

2. 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.

For students of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for students during the 'first key phase' (Years 8 to 9), and two encounters for students during the 'second key phase' (Years 10 to 11). For students in the 'third key phase' (Years 12 to 13), particularly those that have not yet decided on their next steps, there are two more provider encounters available during this period, which are optional for students to attend.

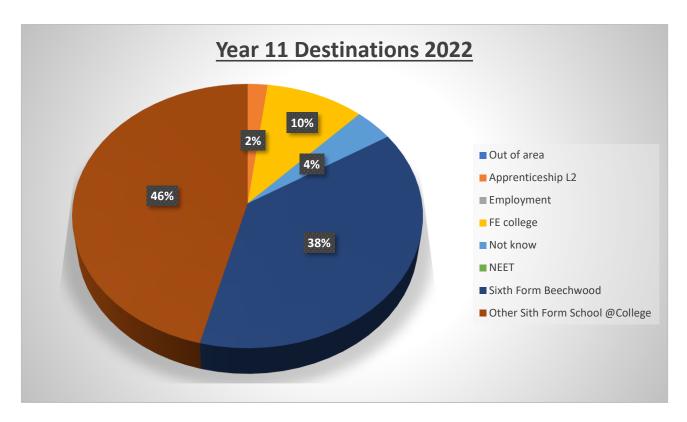
2.1 Previous Providers

In previous terms/years we have invited the following providers from the local area to speak to our students:

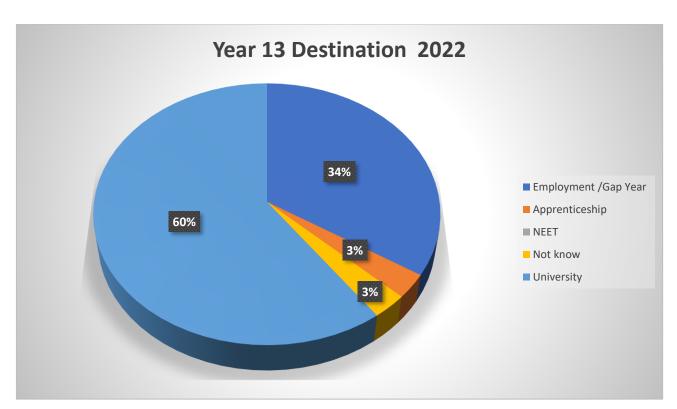
Home Instead	12. Chiltern Training – Care Company
2. Oxford Brookes University	13. Village Hotels – Hospitality
3. Leeds University	14. Crowne – Accountancy Company
4. Burleigh College	15. Charles Hunter Associates – Recruitment for nurses, carers and other staff
5. Antz Kids – Children's Activities	16. GE – Engineering
6. Windsor Forrest Group	17. Activate Learning
7. I.T.S Construction	18. Freckles Childcare
8. Graft IT – IT Opportunities	19. UCB – a global biopharmaceutical leader
Worldwide Education – Recruitment Agency	20. PwC – Apprenticeship company
 Prosper4.com – Help with applying for all forms of job roles 	21. SEGRO – Slough Trading Estate
 Berkshire Film Production – Film Company 	

2.3 Destinations of our students

Last year our year 11 students moved to range of providers in the local area after school:



Last year our year 13 students moved to range of providers in the local area after school:



3. Management of provider access requests

3.1 Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

Petya Krasteva-Ilkova, Director of Careers / STEM Lead.

Telephone: 01753 520473 Email: p.ilkova@beechwood.slough.sch.uk

Rebecca Doncaster, Director of Studies Sixth Form

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3.2 Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers' and IAG programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into Beechwood School to speak to students and/or their parents/carers:

Year	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
8	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input Event for University Technical College/apprenticeships 	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input. Parents' Reporting Evening Technical/vocational tasters at local college/s, training providers 	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input KS4 Pathway's Evening Adviza Employer webinars event for students, parents – overview of local, regional, and national opportunities and skills requirement
9	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input Careers Event for University Technical College/apprenticeships 	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota or PSHCE input. Parents' Reporting Evening KS4 options event – Windsor Forest Colleges Group college and PwC apprenticeship provider attending to give presentations to students 	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input Parents' Reporting Evening Meeting with careers adviser

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10	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input. Parents' Reporting Evening Event for University Technical College/apprenticeships Post 16 technical education options assembly with General Further Education College 	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input. Meeting with careers adviser 	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input Parents' Reporting Evening Technical/vocational tasters at Activate Learning college, training providers (PwC and GE)
11	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input. Parents' Reporting Evening Pathway to PwC – Apprenticeship Workshop Workshops – visiting speakers Event for University Technical College/apprenticeships Meeting with careers adviser 	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input. Parents' Reporting Evening Post-16 Options evening Apprenticeship's week assembly by Windsor Forest Colleges Group college 	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input Post-16 Induction day Confirmation of post-16 education and training destinations for all students
12 & 13	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input. Parents' Reporting Evening Workshops – visiting speakers Event for University Technical College/apprenticeships Meeting with careers adviser 	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input. Parents' Reporting Evening Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options 	 Assembly and tutor group opportunities Rolling rota for PSHCE input. Year 12 Work experience Technical/vocational tasters at local University /s, training providers Confirmation of post-18 education and training destinations for all students

Please speak to Petya Krasteva-Ilkova, Director of Enterprise & Careers' Learning and IAG, to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

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

4. Premises and facilities

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

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Reception to be placed in the Careers room or the Advanced Learning Centre access to which is available to all students at break and lunch times.