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 pupils 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 7 – 13 are entitled to:

- 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.
- To two weeks' worth of modern work experience for every young person
- Every learner should have first -hand experiences of workplaces to help their exploration of career opportunities and expand their networks. By the age of 16, every learner should have had meaningful experiences of workplaces. By the age of 18, every learner should have had at least one further meaningful experience.

High-quality careers guidance helps:

- Young people make informed choices about their futures, so they can develop their interests and potential, and follow the path that is right for them to progress into work
- Break down barriers to opportunity
- Improve skills needed for success in work
- Improve national productivity and grow the economy

3. Management of provider access requests

3.1 Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

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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:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input. ▪ Parents Reporting Evening	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input ▪ KS4 Pathway's Evening
Year 9	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota or PSHCE input. ▪ Parents Reporting Evening	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input ▪ Parents' Reporting Evening ▪ Pathway to choices
Year 10	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input. ▪ Parents' Reporting Evening	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input.	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input ▪ Parents' Reporting Evening
Year 11	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input. ▪ Parents' Reporting ▪ Evening ▪ Pathway to PwC – Apprenticeship Workshop ▪ Workshops – visiting ▪ speakers	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input. ▪ Parents Reporting Evening ▪ Post-16 Options ▪ evening	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input ▪ Post-16 Induction day
Year 12 & 13	▪ Assembly and tutor ▪ group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input. ▪ Parents' Reporting Evening ▪ Workshops – visiting ▪ speakers	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input. ▪ Parents Reporting Evening	▪ Assembly and tutor group opportunities ▪ Rolling rota for PSHCE input. ▪ Year 12 Work experience

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.