

Trinity Academy St Edward's: Provider Access Statement

Introduction

This policy statement sets out the academy's arrangements for managing the access of providers for the students at the academy, for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the academy's legal obligations under 42B and 45A of the Education Act 1997, as amended by The Skills and Post-16 Education Act 2022.

Student entitlement

All students in Year 7 are entitled to opportunities and experiences of careers and employment both local, national and linked to STEM. All students in Year 8 are entitled:

- To find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point as per The Baker Clause (2018).
- To hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options events, assemblies and group discussions and taster events.
- To understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for year 8 to 9 pupils.

Management of provider access requests

These provider encounters will be scheduled during the main school hours and the provider will be given a reasonable amount of time to, as a minimum:

- share information about both the provider and the approved technical education qualification and apprenticeships that the provider offers
- explain what career routes those options could lead to
- provide insights into what it might be like to learn or train with that provider (including the opportunity to meet staff and pupils from the provider)
- answer questions from pupils.

Prior to an encounter we encourage providers to share information about both their provision and the courses they offer so that this can be shared with parents and carers.

Meaningful provider encounters

One encounter is defined as one meeting/session between pupils and one provider. We are committed to providing meaningful encounters to all pupils using the Making it meaningful checklist.

Previous providers

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

- Barnsley Chamber of Commerce
- Barnsley College
- AMRC

- ASOS
- E-Sports
- The University of Sheffield

Management of provider access requests

The academy offers the annual provider encounters required by law and a number of additional events, integrated into the school careers programme. We will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils or their parents or carers.

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

Nikki Waite, Assistant Principal – Teaching & Learning

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Opportunities for access

Events, integrated into the academy careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into the academy to speak to students and/or their parents/carers.

Please see below for an outline of planned events throughout the year:

Year 7	<p>Careers library introduction Assembly on options 16+ - the different routes students can take, including apprenticeship pathways Assemblies from local employers and National Employers STEM opportunities Labour Market Index Information Assemblies Financial education through PHSE lessons Students will also receive meaningful interactions from employers linked to all subject areas. Explore careers linked to the curriculum in all subject areas.</p>
Year 8	<p>Introduction to University assembly Introduction to apprenticeships talk, including apprenticeship pathways, traineeships and T level options Individual careers guidance via online learning tools prior to options evening 1:1 meeting with VT tutor prior to making options choices IAG information evening for students and parents prior to making options choices Assemblies from local employers and National Employers Assembly with Apprenticeship provider Financial education through PHSE lessons Labour Market Index Information Assemblies Work on discrimination and equality in the workplace through PHSE lessons Explore careers linked to the curriculum in all subject areas. Students will also receive meaningful interactions from employers and training providers linked to all subject areas.</p>

Premises and Facilities

The academy will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for careers opportunities. The academy will also give the provider access to specialist equipment, such as computers, for presentations where appropriate. This will be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of any relevant literature for students.

Complaints

Any complaints with regards to provider access can be raised following the school complaints procedure or directly with The Careers & Enterprise Company via their website.

Approval and review

Approved:

Next review: September 2023

Signed: