



ABBEY PARK SCHOOL

PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY

Introduction

This policy statement sets out the School's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at our 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 8-11 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:

Abbey Park School. **John White, Careers Leader**

Email: careers@abbeyparkschool.org.uk

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. We will also endeavour to ensure pupils are made aware of local careers events (at which different providers are represented) and, where possible, will try to support their attendance.

Please speak to our named Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you. The School's policy on safeguarding sets out the approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students. The relevant Safeguarding Policy is available on each School's website.

Pupil attendance at provider open events

We will continue to authorise pupil attendance at provider open days (or interviews) in response to parental requests. We do, however, ask that providers consider the impact on pupils' learning when planning the number, date and duration of such events.



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Premises and facilities

The Academy will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. We 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.

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