

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 purpose 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.

Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 8-11 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;
- 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.
- To two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (year 8 or 9) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend
- To two encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (year 10 or 11) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Donna Tank, Assistant Headteacher, Personal Development. Telephone:01709 512222; Email: d.tank@oakwood.ac

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/carers. Please check our careers section of the school website for more

information or alternatively, speak to our Careers Leader, Lorna Barton, to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Premises and Facilities

The school will make the main hall, dining 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 AVE and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leaders or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with our Careers Leaders who are located in the career's office.