

A Policy Statement on Provider Access

North Oxfordshire Academy: 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 8-13 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;
- 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;
- 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 Joanne Thorne or Colette Wedgbrow (Business, Employability & Career Development)
Telephone: 01295 234237
Email: joanne.thorne@northoxfordshire-academy.org or
Colette.wedgbrow@northoxfordshire-academy.org

Providers will be granted access based on locality, time of the year and to fit around curriculum assessments and exams.

Safeguarding: If providers are not DBS checked then a member of the Careers Team or appropriate school staff will need to remain with them throughout.

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. These are itemised overleaf.

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	Army or Police Cadets	Life skills: assembly and tutor group opportunities	Industry specific assemblies
Year 9	Army or Police Cadets	KS4 Options – parents evening STEM careers assembly	
Year 10	Assembly on apprenticeships	Apprenticeship Fair including Tech/FE colleges	Life skills: assembly and tutor group opportunities STEM Careers assembly
Year 11	Assemblies on apprenticeships / college opportunities Life skills – assembly on opportunities at 16	Apprenticeship Fair including Tech/FE colleges	Pop-up Tech/FE College event
Year 12	Life skills – work experience prep sessions Post 18 assembly - apprenticeships	Small group sessions future education, training and employment opportunities HE Assemblies Apprenticeship Fair	Assessment Centre Day Simulation
Year 13	Workshops – HE and higher apprenticeships	Surviving / after university assemblies Apprenticeship Fair	Assessment Centre Day Simulation

Please speak to our Careers Team to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Premises and facilities

The school will make a room(s) available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all need to be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Careers Resource Centre, which is managed by the Careers Advisor. This is available to all students at lunch and break times.

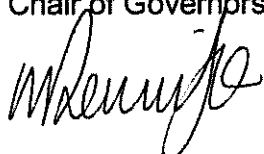
Approval and review

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