

Beacon Academy: Provider Access Statement

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 academy's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 7-11 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 events, assemblies, 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 *Sarah Worrell*, Careers Manager Telephone: 01472 328888 or email sw@beaconacademy.co.uk

Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to communicate with pupils and/or their parents/carers. This is mainly, but not exclusively, through:

- tutor time assemblies
- parents evenings attended by pupils and parents
- distribution of invitations to open evenings and advertising of open evenings from other educational providers
- contact via the local authority of opportunities at end of key stage 3 and 4.

Premises and Facilities

The Academy will make the main hall, sports hall, classroom and offices available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The Academy will make available any IT support when requested prior to the provider access and to support the presentations.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their current prospectus, or any other relevant course literature, in the Careers Manager's office. The office is available to students during tutor time and lunch. There are careers displays with material for students to take which are positioned on the corridors.