



The
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School**
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Bulmershe School: Careers Provider Access Policy

(Awaiting final approval from governors in September 2018)

Introduction

At the Bulmershe School we believe that good career guidance is essential if students are to fulfil their potential and capitalise on the multiple opportunities available to them in modern Britain. The careers programme is designed to inform students of the full range of opportunities available to them whilst at the same time aiding social mobility through raising aspirations. To achieve this goal the careers programme is currently evolving to embed the eight Gatsby Benchmarks of good careers guidance. This will enrich student experiences further by offering meaningful careers based opportunities in every year of study. Finally every young person should finish their time at Bulmershe School with the tools and skills they need to make the best of all future life opportunities.

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the 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 8-13 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 *Mr A Hulley, Head of SMSC*.

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:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 7	Transition projects to support students with their move from Primary into secondary school.	Access to a careers library and computer based resources.	Access to a careers library and computer based resources.
Year 8	Access to a careers library and computer based resources.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year group drop down event and session focused on career pathways. • Advice on making the right choices in year 8. • Year 8 options evening. • Year 8 options interviews. 	Access to a careers library and computer based resources.
Year 9	Access to a careers library and computer based resources.	Theatre performance “steps to success” focused on future pathways.	Attendance at Wokingham Careers Fair.
Year 10	Access to a careers library and computer based resources.	Work Experience Week.	Access to a careers library and computer based resources.
Year 11	Access to a careers library and computer based resources. Year 11 Interview day.	Post 16 options evening. Careers appointments and group sessions based on the results of a career focused questionnaire.	Post 16 taster sessions.
Year 12	Higher Education Fair. Post 18 assembly – apprenticeships.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options. • 1-1 careers meets. • Level 2 Work Experience. 	Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options. Post 16 Work Experience.

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 13	Workshops – HE and higher apprenticeship applications.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternatives to University sessions with targeting students. • 1-1 careers meets. • UCAS advice. 	Advice on applications for apprenticeships made by non-university students.

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

The school policy on safeguarding [\[link\]](#) sets out the school’s approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students.

Premises and facilities

The school will make the main 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 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 or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the visitor’s reception so that it can be forwarded on to the careers lead. Resources will be on display in the school library, which is available to all students.

Approval and review

Approved [\[date\]](#) by Governors at Curriculum and Standards Committee

Next review: [\[date\]](#)

Signed: [\[name\]](#) Chair of Governors [\[name\]](#) Head teacher