

PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY

Issue Date: January 2018

Ratified at Governors Meeting January 2018

Review Date: December 2018

Review Date: December 2019

Review Date: December 2019

Review Date: December 2021

Next Review Date December 2023

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 9-13 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 events, 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 the school

Telephone: 01270 877601 Email: admin@naschurchlawton.cheshire.sch.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/carers. There are also opportunities for pupils to visit providers outside school.

Years 6, 7 and 8	<p>Fortnightly timetabled careers lessons covering a wide range of topics including visits from a variety of employers and further education providers.</p> <p>Coverage of Quality of Life (QOL) curriculum working towards independence skills.</p> <p>Assembly and tutor group opportunities</p>
Year 9	<p>Weekly timetabled double lesson with safe opportunities for their exploring workplaces course. This includes weekly visits from and to a wide variety of employers and future education providers.</p> <p>Assembly and tutor group opportunities</p>
Year 10	<p>Weekly QOL timetabled lessons.</p> <p>Opportunity to access Reaseheath college for Level 1 vocational course.</p> <p>Assembly and tutor group opportunities</p>
Year 11	<p>Weekly QOL timetabled lessons.</p> <p>Opportunity to continue to access Reaseheath college for Level 1 vocational course.</p>

	<p>Assembly and tutor group opportunities. Post-16 evening. Post-16 taster sessions.</p> <p>Careers interviews, applications and visits to further, higher or alternative education providers.</p>
Year 12 and 13	<p>Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options.</p> <p>Access to alternative education providers.</p> <p>Visits to and from Higher Education/F E Education, Post-18 apprenticeships. Work experience.</p> <p>Higher education and apprenticeship applications.</p>

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 SEND and Admissions Manager. Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature, which is managed by the school. The Library is available to all students at lunch and break times.

Monitoring and Review

This policy will be monitored by the Principal and Deputy Principals.