

# Parklands High School: 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 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 Miss Patricia Berry, Careers Leader, on 01257 264596 or via email ([pberry@parklandsacademy.co.uk](mailto:pberry@parklandsacademy.co.uk)).

### Opportunities for access

Throughout the academic year there are fortnightly House assemblies and whole-school assemblies, in addition to SECURE time, during which providers have the opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils. In addition, there are Parents' Evenings which providers are also able to attend (see our website School Information/Term Dates). Please speak to Miss Berry to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

The school policy on safeguarding 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 Miss Berry.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with Miss Berry. This will be available for pupils to peruse in the school's library.

## **Approval and review**

Reviewed: *July 2021*

Next review: July 2023

Signed: *Mr K Fielding*

Chair of Governors

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Headteacher