

## **Provider Access Statement**

This statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students 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 and the Baker Clause which is in compliance with the amendment to the Technical & further Education Act of 2017 which stipulates that: schools must allow colleges and training providers access to every student in years 8 – 13 (Pinewood Yr11) to discuss non-academic routes that are available to them.

## **Student entitlement**

Students in Years 7-11 are entitled:

- To find out about 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 education and supported internships – 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.

For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (year 8 to 9) and two encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (year 10 to 11).

These provider encounters will be scheduled during the main school hours and the provider will be given a reasonable amount of time to, as a minimum:

- share information about both the provider and the approved technical education qualification and apprenticeships that the provider offers
- explain what career routes those options could lead

- provide insights into what it might be like to learn or train with that provider (including the opportunity to meet staff and pupils from the provider)
- answer questions from pupils.

## **Complaints**

Any complaints with regards to provider access can be raised following the school complaints procedure or directly with The Careers & Enterprise Company via [provideraccess@careersandenterprise.co.uk](mailto:provideraccess@careersandenterprise.co.uk)

## **Management of provider access requests**

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

[admin@hertfordshire.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hertfordshire.herts.sch.uk)

Telephone: 01920 412211

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 students and/or their parents. Please refer to our careers programme for more information.