

Bridlington School

Provider Access Policy



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1. Aims

This policy statement aims to set out our school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students for the purpose of giving them information about their offer. It sets out:

- Procedures in relation to requests for access
- The grounds for granting and refusing requests for access
- Details of premises or facilities to be provided to a person who is given access

2. Statutory requirements

Schools are required to ensure that there is an opportunity for a range of education and training providers to access students in years 8 to 13 for the purposes of informing them about approved technical education, qualifications or apprenticeships.

Schools must also have a policy statement that outlines the circumstances in which education and training providers will be given access to these students.

This is outlined in section 42B of the [Education Act 1997](#).

This policy shows how our school complies with these requirements.

3. Student entitlement

All students in years 7 to 13 at Bridlington School are entitled to:

- Find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities as part of our careers programme, which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships, e.g. through activities and events such as options events, assemblies and taster events
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses

4. Management of provider access requests

4.1 Procedure

Any and all providers will be assessed for their appropriateness by the Assistant Headteacher – Careers and Aspirations.

Where possible all providers will be met in advance to discuss arrangements, all providers will be sent information about the school expectations, procedures and safeguarding in advance.

Any and all requests for access to students will be considered by Assistant Headteacher – Careers and Aspirations. Access will be granted on the merits of the provision on offer, not by any agenda the school may have to allow fair and equal access to students.

A provider wishing to request access should contact Mr Pick, Assistant Headteacher – Careers and Aspirations.

Telephone: 01262 672593

Email: careers@bridlingtonschool.org.uk

4.2 Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into our careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers:

	AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM
YEAR 7	Assembly and tutor group opportunities – LMI and careers	Assembly and tutor group opportunities – LMI and careers	Careers Fair
YEAR 8	Assembly and tutor group opportunities – LMI and careers	Assembly and tutor group opportunities – LMI and careers	Careers Fair
YEAR 9	Assembly and tutor group opportunities – LMI and careers	Assembly on Post-14 Options Key Stage 4 options event	Careers Fair
YEAR 10	Assembly and tutor group opportunities – LMI and careers	Assembly and tutor group opportunities – LMI and careers Post-16 assembly - apprenticeships	Careers Fair Work experience preparation sessions Work experience
YEAR 11	Assembly on opportunities at 16 Parents' Evening Post-16 evening	Post-16 assembly - apprenticeships Post-16 taster sessions Apprenticeships – support with applications	Careers Fair
YEAR 12	Assembly and tutor group opportunities – LMI and careers	Assembly and tutor group opportunities – LMI and careers Post-18 assembly - apprenticeships	Assembly and tutor group opportunities – LMI and careers Higher education (HE) fair Careers Fair Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options
YEAR 13	HE and higher apprenticeship applications	Assembly and small group opportunities - LMI and careers	Assembly and small group opportunities - LMI and careers

Please speak to our Assistant Headteacher – Careers and Aspirations to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

These events will run in line with any measures related to public health incidents, including COVID-19.

4.3 Granting and refusing access

Access to students will only be refused if;

- The provision is judged to not to be of the standards of Bridlington School wishes to promote
- The provision is deemed to be promoting something with unnecessary risk or danger to health
- The provision does not fit with our school ethos and values
- The provision appears to coerce or dupe students

4.4 Safeguarding

Our strategic safeguarding and child protection policy outlines the school's procedure for checking the identity and suitability of visitors. Education and training providers will be expected to adhere to this policy. Should trips to providers or establishments take place, the school will follow all necessary risk assessments as per our Educational Visit package Evolve which is overseen by the Local Authority. Members of school staff will be present for the duration of any visit to our school site.

4.5 Premises and facilities

Bridlington School will endeavour to provide;

- Any relevant facilities will be available to enable providers to access students e.g. rooms, specialist equipment such as audio and visual devices
- The process for organising and agreeing which facilities can be used will be discussed with the provider at the time of confirmation of any visit
- Prospectuses can be left in school and will be displayed in the careers hub, sixth form centre and/or year 11 common room.

5. Links to other policies

- Safeguarding/child protection policy
- Careers, Information, Advice and Guidance policy
- Curriculum policy

6. Monitoring arrangements

The school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students is monitored by the Assistant Headteacher – Careers and Aspirations.

This policy will be reviewed by Mr Pick, Assistant Headteacher – Careers and Aspirations annually.

At every review, the policy will be approved by the governing board.