

HIGHFIELDS SCHOOL

Provider Access Policy

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Rationale

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students 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.

Student entitlement

All 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 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 our named Careers Leader:

Mr Phil Rose Telephone: 01902 556530 Email: prose@hswv.co.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 students and/or their Parents/Carers. Please see the Highfields School Careers Programme overview (Appendix 1) to find more about opportunities offered to our young people and speak to our Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Premises and facilities

The school will make the building, including classrooms or private meeting rooms, available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available Audio Visual and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Careers Resource Centre, which is managed by the school librarian. The Resource Centre is available to all students at lunch, break times or after school.

Safeguarding

All visitors to our school should be aware of their Safeguarding responsibilities and work within the guidance as laid out in the school policy on safeguarding.

Date for Review Summer Term 2022

Links with other policies

CEIAG Equality Safeguarding SEND

Careers Programme Overview

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 7		LMI Assembly	Guess the Job activity
Year 8		Foundations for the Future 'Year 9 options' LMI Assembly	Guess the Job activity Careers lessons in Citizenship – The importance of employability skills, personal qualities and their link to career
Year 9	Careers related assemblies	Careers lessons in Citizenship – Decision making skills 'KS4 options' KS4 options event and school wide Careers Fair	
Year 10	Work experience preparation		Careers lessons in Citizenship Department for Work and Pensions 'Apprenticeship workshops'
	Careers lessons in Citizenship – preparing for the World of Work Career related assemblies	Career related assemblies	Career related assemblies All Year 10 students ot have received at least one interview with a qualified independent careers advisor
Year 11	Work experience (1 week) Post 16 event – Staying in Learning Day/Futures Evening Academic mentoring Yr 12 Raising Aspirations Careers lessons in Citizenship – preparing for the world of work	Post 16 interviews Post 16 application support week College/Apprenticeships application support sessions	
Year 12	Work experience opportunities Industry placement scheme	Work experience opportunities Industry placement scheme Apprenticeship assemblies	Higher Education event Work experience opportunities Industry placement scheme

Year 13	UCAS preparation Work experience opportunities	Alternatives to University – Apprenticeship application support Work experience opportunities	
All Years	National Careers Week (March)- a wide range of events and activities in school, including Assemblies, presentations, lessons and lunchtime workshops.		

Alongside the above, subjects provide students with opportunities to contextualise their learning by offering career related activities during the year.

Review – Summer 2022