



Application for Provider Access Policy

Introduction

This document 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 7-13 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;
- 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;
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses;
- At least six encounters with approved providers of apprenticeships and technical education for all students. Students should have two encounters in Y 8 & 9, two encounters in Y 10 & 11 and a further two in Y 12 & 13.

At Grace Academy Solihull we ensure that we meet these standards consistently and strive to exceed them by providing a range of opportunities to our students with the support of over 30 leading business, educational, training and technical institutes.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact the Principal's PA and/or our Careers Lead:

Name: Chiméne Satur - Principal's PA

Telephone: 0121 329 4600

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Name: Brad Pettitt - Careers Lead

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Opportunities for access

The school offers a comprehensive Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance programme and an overview of this programme can be seen in the School's Careers website.

Please speak to our Careers Advisor/Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

The school will make a suitable space available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available ICT and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Advisor/Leader or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with the Careers Advisor/Leader so that they can be displayed in school.