Policy statement on provider access

## Bacup and Rawtenstall Grammar 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 the Careers Coordinator on 01706 234500 or e-mail enquiries@brgs.org.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 pupils and/or their parents:

|  | **Autumn Term** | **Spring Term** | **Summer Term** |
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| **Year 8** | After School Career TalksNext Steps Champion SchemeTutor/Form Time Sessions  | After School Career TalksNext Steps Champion SchemeTutor/Form Time Sessions  | After School Career TalksNext Steps Champion Scheme Tutor/Form Time Sessions  |
| **Year 9** | After School Careers TalksYear 9 Next Steps EventTutor/Form Time Sessions | After School Careers TalksTutor/Form Time Sessions | After School Careers TalksTutor/Form Time Sessions |
| **Year 10** | After School Careers TalksTutor/Form Time Sessions | After School Careers TalksTutor/Form Time Sessions | After School Careers TalksYour Future Event Tutor/Form Time Sessions |
| **Year 11** | After School Careers TalksTutor/Form Time Sessions | After School Careers TalksTutor/Form Time Sessions | After School Careers TalksTutor/Form Time Sessions |
| **Year 12** | After School Careers Talks | After School Careers Talks | After School Careers TalksYour Future Event STEM/Health/Creative Conference |
| **Year 13** | Career Workshops After School Careers Talks | After School Careers Talks | After School Careers Talks |

Please speak to our careers coordinator to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

The school policy on safeguarding and visitor handbook [*https://www.brgs.org.uk/parents-and-students/policies*](https://www.brgs.org.uk/parents-and-students/policies)sets out the school’s approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students.

### Rules on granting and refusing access

As school aims to raise awareness of a cross section of opportunities and job sectors, and with limited space and time, it may not always be possible to accommodate every request. Decisions on granting access will be made with regard to these issues.

### 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 equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the careers coordinator or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Careers Office, which is managed by the Careers Coordinator. The Careers Office is available to all students at lunch and break times when the careers coordinator is in school.

### Approval and review

Approved: 10 May 2018by Governors at Executive Committee

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Signed: *David King* Chair of Governors *Alan Porteous* Head teacher