



PROVIDER ACCESS LEGISLATION POLICY

This policy statement sets out Hollingworth Academy's arrangements for managing the access of providers to the academy for the purpose of giving them information about their education or training offer. This complies with the academy's legal obligations under Section 428 of the Education Act 1997.

STUDENT ENTITLEMENT

All students in Years 8 to 11 are entitled to:

- Find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities as part of a careers programme that 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, group discussions, and taster events.
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

For students of compulsory school age, these encounters are mandatory. There will be a minimum of two encounters for students during the 'first key phase' (Years 8 to 9) and two encounters for students during the 'second key phase' (Years 10 to 11). These provider encounters will be scheduled during main school hours and will include:

- Information about the provider and the approved technical education qualifications and apprenticeships they offer.
- Explanation of the career routes these options could lead to.
- Insights into learning or training with that provider, including opportunities to meet staff and students.
- A chance for students to ask questions.

MEANINGFUL PROVIDER ENCOUNTERS

One encounter is defined as a meeting or session between students and one provider. Hollingworth Academy is committed to ensuring these encounters are meaningful, using the 'Making it Meaningful' checklist. Online engagement is also an option, and we welcome providers offering live virtual sessions.

PREVIOUS PROVIDERS

In previous years, Hollingworth Academy has worked with the following employers and organisations: RRG, The Casey Group, M&Y Maintenance, The NHS, The British Army, The Royal Navy, The Royal Airforce, North West Ambulance Service, Fire & Rescue, HMRC, DWP, MoJ, KPMG, Gamma, HPE, RBC, Deckers, Hamptons by Hilton, The Midland Hotel, DUO, RAFC, MUFC, FC United, Petrus, Springhill Hospice, Metrolink, First Northwest, Russell Homes, Hanson Springs, Dunphys, Click 24, Target Fire, Myson Pages, The Talent Foundry, Vimto and Richer Sounds.

We have also collaborated with the following Further and Higher Education providers: RSFC, OSFC, TMC, ToC, Myerscough, Bury College, Rochdale Training, Manchester University, MMU, Bradford University and Oxford University.

DESTINATIONS OF OUR STUDENTS

Last year, our Year 11 students progressed to a range of education and training providers. Full details of our destination data can be found in our **Annual Impact Report** at: [Hollingworth Academy Careers Documents](#).

MANAGEMENT OF PROVIDER ACCESS REQUESTS PROCEDURE

A provider wishing to request access should contact **Cate Calveley, Careers Leader**, via email at ccalveley@hollingworthacademy.co.uk.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACCESS

Hollingworth Academy offers the six provider encounters required by law, along with additional events integrated into the academy's careers programme. Legislation requires encounters to take place by 28th February, each academic year.

Providers will have opportunities to speak to students or parents/carers. Information on why you should get involved and how you can support Careers Education can be found here: [Employees & Volunteers | Hollingworth Academy](#)

PREMISES AND FACILITIES

Hollingworth Academy will make the **Theatre, Futures Hub, Classrooms, or Private meeting rooms** available for discussions between providers and students, as appropriate to the activity. AV and other specialist equipment will also be available upon request. This will be discussed and agreed in advance with the Careers Leader.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature in the **Learning Resource Centre**, which is managed by the academy librarian. The LRC is available to all students at lunch and break times.

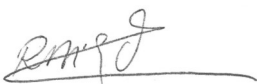
COMPLAINTS

Any complaints regarding provider access can be raised through the academy's complaints procedure or directly with **The Careers & Enterprise Company** via email at: provideraccess@careersandenterprise.co.uk.

APPROVAL AND REVIEW

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