



Provider Access Policy

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Revisions Log

Date	Pages/Whole Document	Description of Change	Origin of Change (e.g. Routine Update, request for Review)
4.9.22	Page 2	Career lead details updated	Change to job roles
4.9.22	Page 3	Premises and Facilities to include LRC	Routine update

Aims

This policy statement aims to set out our arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students at the Academy for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training 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

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 7 to 11 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.

Student Entitlement

All pupils in Year 7-11 are entitled:

- To find out about technical qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of the careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point; and to hear from a range of local providers

- To hear about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options events, assemblies, lunch time drop ins, parent evenings, group discussions and attending taster events.
- To understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

All pupils in Year 7 to 11 are given access to online guidance and personalised information and guidance via Start Profile.

All pupils in KS4 will have at least one face-to-face careers interview

Management of Provider Access Requests

Procedure

In the first instance, a provider wishing to request access should contact the Academy's main careers lead:

Mrs Emily Abberley (eabberley@theoasksacademy.co.uk)

Opportunities for Access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into the Academy to speak to pupils/and or their parents/carers. These include: -

- Parent Evenings
- Year 9 Options Evening
- Year 11 Raising Aspirations evening
- Regular career related assemblies
- PSCH lessons
- Mock Interviews
- Lunch time Drop ins
- Personal Development 'collapsed' days

Premises and Facilities

The Academy will make the hall, Learning Resource Centre or classrooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with our Careers Leads.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature for our Careers Hub located in the LRC, which is managed by our careers lead. This facility is available to all students at lunch and break times and before and after school.