



Provider Access Policy

1. Aims

This policy statement sets out our arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at The Woodlands Academy for the purposes of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer.

2. Statutory requirements

Schools & Academies are required to ensure that there is an opportunity for a range of education and training providers to access pupils in years 8 to 13 for the purposes of informing them about approved technical education, qualifications or apprenticeships (approved under section A2DA of the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children & Learning Act 2009).

Schools & Academies must also have a policy statement that outlines the circumstances in which education and training providers will be given access to these pupils.

This is outlined in section 42B of the [Education Act 1997](#).

This policy shows how our Academy complies with these requirements.

3. Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 8 to 13 at The Woodlands Academy are entitled to:

- Find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of our 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
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses

4. Management of provider access requests

4.1 Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact our Careers Education Co-ordinator

Telephone: 01723 373260

Email: via admin@woodlands.n-yorks.sch.uk (mark the email as FAO Careers Education Co-ordinator)

4.2 Opportunities for access

Local providers are invited to key relevant events that are held at The Woodlands Academy. For example, when holding parents' evening we would invite apprenticeship providers, colleges, and other relevant groups. We encourage other providers who are interested in coming into the Academy to contact us.

Please speak to our Careers Education Co-ordinator to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

4.3 Safeguarding

The Academy policy on safeguarding, which can be found on our website, sets out our approach to allowing visitors into the Academy to talk to our pupils. It includes our procedures for checking the identity and suitability of visitors.

Education and training providers will be expected to adhere to this policy.

4.5 Premises and facilities

Once a visit is agreed, the Academy will provide appropriate facilities and equipment to support the provider, where available. Sessions can be held in different venues according to the number of pupils and the requirements of the provider. We are happy to discuss the accommodation of any extra equipment that providers may wish to bring into the Academy in order to showcase what they do.

5. Links to other policies

This policy should be read in conjunction with our policy on Safeguarding & Child Protection which can be accessed via our website.