

Provider Access Policy

(Including Baker Clause)

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AIMS

This policy statement aims to set out our school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students for the purpose of giving them information about their 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 8 to 13 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 students in years 7 to 13 at Queen Elizabeth Grammar School 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, e.g. through activities and events such as options events, assemblies and taster events
- 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 Jemma Leech, Careers Lead.

Telephone: 01768 864621

Email: jleech@qegs.cumbria.sch.uk

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACCESS

A number of events, integrated into our careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers.

Please speak to our Careers Lead to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

QEGS fully supports the statutory requirement for students to have direct access to other providers of further education training, technical training and apprenticeships. The school will comply with the new legal requirement to put on at least six encounters with providers of approved technical education qualifications or apprenticeships. Opportunities are embedded within the school year through PSHE lessons, external speakers, virtual events, trips, visits, assemblies, interviews and work experience.

GRANTING AND REFUSING ACCESS

All requests for access should be made to the careers lead, Jemma Leech. Contact via email at jleech@qegs.cumbria.sch.uk

Access will be refused to anyone wanting to share controversial or extremist views. The Headteacher will make the final decision regarding this.

SAFEGUARDING

Our safeguarding/child protection policy outlines the school's procedure for checking the identity and suitability of visitors.

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

PREMISES AND FACILLITIES

- > Providers will be able to use the hall, classrooms and ICT facilities. If they wish to use ICT facilities, they will need to sign the ICT user agreement in the online safety policy below. Material will need to be checked by the Careers Lead in advance.
- > Contact the Careers Lead to organise facilities.
- > Providers are welcome to leave prospectuses and other material for students to read.

LINKS TO OTHER POLICIES

Outline any links to other policies you have, such as:

- > Safeguarding/child protection policy
- > Online Safety policy

MONITORING ARRANGEMENTS

The school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students are monitored by Jemma Leech, Assistant Headteacher.

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Headteacher

At every review, the policy will be approved by the governing board.