



Careers Provider Access Statement

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Rationale

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the school to give them information about the provider's own education or training offer.

This complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Pupil entitlement

All pupils in EYFS to Year 11 are entitled:

- to find out about technical education qualifications, supported internships 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 (minimum of 6 different providers) about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options events, assemblies and group discussions and taster events;
- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses in other FE environments.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

Mark McGarvie, Deputy Headteacher

Telephone: 01908 533290

Email: mmcgarvie@kentshillpark.school

Opportunities for access

Our existing provision already includes a variety of events for pupils to access a wide range of information. These are mainly integrated into the school careers programme, teaching curriculum, PSHE, off timetable days and assemblies. These events are delivered internally, with contribution by external providers where appropriate. Additional one-off events will be considered on request and where possible provision made. 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.

Local Providers are invited to key relevant events. In addition, external providers interested in coming into school should speak to Mr McGarvie to identify the most suitable opportunity.

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Premises and facilities

The school will make facilities available for discussions between the provider and pupils, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the school reception to be passed on to the Careers Leader who will disseminate as required. Copies will also be placed in the Careers section of the school library where all pupils will have access to these materials.

Safeguarding

The school policy on safeguarding sets out the school's approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our pupils.

Schools and colleges are not entitled to require a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check for a visitor who is in the school for a "one-off" visit. However, Headteachers and appropriate members of SLT should decide on the appropriate level of supervision for the duration of the visit. We may ask for supporting documentation depending on the activity and its duration.



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