

Appendix 3: Policy Statement on Provider Access (Baker Clause)

*updated in January 2023 to reflect the new Provider Access Legislation (PAL)

Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at the school for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Student entitlement

All students in years 8-11 are entitled:

- to find out about technical education qualifications 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; *there must be a minimum of 2 encounters with apprenticeship and technical education providers in each key phase (Y8-9, Y10-11)
- to hear from a range of local 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.

***For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (year 8 to 9) and two encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (year 10 to 11).**

These provider encounters will be scheduled during the main school hours and the provider will be given a reasonable amount of time to, as a minimum:

- share information about both the provider and the approved technical education qualification and apprenticeships that the provider offers
- explain what career routes those options could lead to
- provide insights into what it might be like to learn or train with that provider (including the opportunity to meet staff and pupils from the provider)
- answer questions from pupils.

Meaningful provider encounters

One encounter is defined as one meeting/session between pupils and one provider. We are committed to providing meaningful encounters to all pupils using the Making it meaningful checklist. Meaningful online engagement is also an option, and we are open to providers that are able to provide live online engagement with our pupils.

Previous providers

In previous terms/years we have invited the following providers from the local area to speak to our pupils:

- City of Portsmouth College
- Havant and South Downs College
- UTC
- Sparsholt College
- PETA and other independent training providers
- University of Portsmouth
- University of Southampton

- BAE
- Education Business Partnership (EBP)
- The Girls Network
- Southern Universities Network (SUN)
- PCC Careers Advisor
- ALPS (Association of Learning Providers for Hampshire and IOW)
- The Royal Navy
- Any many other local employers and training providers, such as:

The BBC;

Careers Day: various employers and training providers come into school to facilitate sessions in their field and to raise awareness of apprenticeships;

IET Faraday;

Various Employers support with Mock interviews and also work experience placements;

Careers Fairs: numerous organisations are emailed to take part in the Careers Fairs - Airbus, BAE, NATS, Ambulance Service, Army, Royal Navy, RAF, Vets, various Training providers;

Personal Development Days: various external providers including all of the above, plus curriculum enrichment programmes such as "Prison Me No Way"

Destinations of our pupils

Last year our year 11 pupils moved to a range of providers in the local area after school:

2022 leavers:

- Apprenticeships – 5.5%
- 6th Form College / FE – 88.5%
- Employment with training – 4%

Management of provider access requests

- Requests by providers should be sent to the Careers and Information Centre Manager at ALNS, Ollie Riches, with a **minimum of 6 weeks' lead time**. Detail below:
- All requests will be considered on the basis of staffing availability to support the activity, clashes with other planned activity, trips or visits, interruption to preparation for examinations or rooming and space availability to host the activity.

Contact details:

Name: Ollie Riches – Careers Lead and Info Centre Manager

Tel No: 023 92 364536 ext 164

Email: oriches@alns.co.uk or careers@alns.co.uk

Opportunities for access

The school offers the four provider encounters required by law (marked in bold text, table below) and a number of additional events, integrated into the school careers programme, that may not be listed below.

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

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	<p><u>Personal Development Day: Careers Day</u> Local FE college attend to give presentations and workshops (COPC, HSDC, University of Portsmouth)</p>	<p><u>February 2023 - Careers Fair</u> Employer, apprenticeship and training provider event for pupils and parents – market stall event giving overview of local, regional and national opportunities and skills requirement. Attendance is mandatory, event takes place during school hours.</p>	<p>No encounters planned.</p>
Year 9	<p>No encounters planned.</p>	<p><u>Personal Development Day: Careers Day - KS4 options</u> HSDC and COPC (local FE and Sixth Form colleges) attend to give presentations and workshops.</p> <p><u>February 2023 - Careers Fair</u> Employer, apprenticeship and training provider event for pupils and parents – market stall event giving overview of local, regional and national opportunities and skills requirement. Attendance is mandatory, event takes place during school hours.</p>	<p><i>No encounters – legislation requires encounters to take place by 28 February if in year 9</i></p>
Year 10	<p>Post 16 technical education options assembly with General Further Education College – Fareham College</p>	<p><u>February 2023 - Careers Fair</u> Employer, apprenticeship and training provider event for pupils and parents – market stall event giving overview of local, regional and national opportunities and skills requirement. Attendance is mandatory, event takes place during school hours.</p>	<p><u>June 2023: College Taster Day (COPC and HSDC)</u></p>

Year 11	<p>Post 16 apprenticeships assembly – PETA.</p> <p>Post 16 technical qualifications assembly – UTC.</p> <p>General FE College Assembly – COPC, HSDC.</p> <p>Meetings with careers adviser Post 16 applications.</p>	<p><u>February 2023 - Careers Fair</u></p> <p>Employer, apprenticeship and training provider event for pupils and parents – market stall event giving overview of local, regional and national opportunities and skills requirement. Attendance is mandatory, event takes place during school hours.</p>	<p><i>No encounters – legislation requires encounters to take place by 28 February if in year 11</i></p> <p>Confirmation of post-16 education and training destinations for all students.</p>
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Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall, classrooms, or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, 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. Refreshments can also be pre-ordered and may be provided by the school.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Information Centre, which is managed by the Personal Development Curriculum Manager. The Information Centre is available to all students before school, lunch and break times and after school.

Supporting Practices, Guidance and Advice

[Careers Guidance and Access for Education and Training Providers January 2023](#)