



Denmark Road High School
Provider Access Policy Statement
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Introduction

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 statement shows how DRHS complies with these requirements.

Student entitlement

All students 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

Opportunities for access

Our provision includes opportunities for students to access a range of providers both in school and offsite.

a) A number of events throughout the year will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students. These events are planned and integrated into the curriculum, careers and tutorial programme and led by school staff working alongside external providers, such as: Year 8 Cyber Day, Year 11 and 13 practice interviews and Year 12 work experience.

b) Off site/public events – These are both planned and integrated events, for example UCAS open days, and unplanned events that we become aware of during the academic year, for example specific apprenticeship open days. All relevant events advertised to appropriate students and in some cases we arrange visits for students to attend.

Premises and facilities

The Main Hall, LRC and classrooms will be made available as appropriate to the activity as well as IT equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Lead or the Staff Lead for the specific event.

Management of provider access requests and Safeguarding

A provider wishing to request access should contact Jane Steele, Assistant Headteacher – Curriculum and Careers Lead on steelej@denmarkroad.org to discuss access and, if agreed, to identify the most suitable opportunity.

The school policy on Safeguarding, as well as our Visitor Protocol, outline the procedure for checking the identity and suitability of visitors. All providers will be expected to adhere to the procedure.