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PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY

Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the school for the purposes 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

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.
- To hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options evenings, assemblies, small group sessions and taster events.
- To 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 Amy Brown, Assistant Headteacher i/c of CEIAG or Sheena Varsani Careers Leader

Telephone: *School office on 02074740231*

Email school career team: amybrown@cumberland.org.uk or sheenavarsani@cumberland.org.uk

Opportunities for access

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. The key event is the annual careers fair, which is held afterschool in October. Please speak to Assistant Headteacher Amy Brown or our named Careers Leader – Sheena Varsani to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

The school policy on safeguarding <http://www.cumberland.org.uk/assets/safeguarding-policy.pdf> sets out the school's approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students.

Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall, classrooms, library 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 or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Careers Resource Centre in the library, which is managed by the school librarian and the careers leader. The Resource Centre is available to all students at break, lunch and afterschool. This is also the venue for our annual careers fair.

Approval and review

Approved *January 2018* by Governors at Curriculum and Standards Committee

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Signed: Martin Warne Chair of Governors

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