



Technical Education and Apprenticeships: Raising Awareness in Schools Policy Statement

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Culcheth High School: Provider Access Policy

Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students 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 8-13 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 and group discussions 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 Mr Peter Groves, Assistant Headteacher.

Telephone: 01925 767587; Email: pgr@culchethhigh.org.uk

Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school's IAG programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents.

This will mainly consist of invitations to post-16 events throughout the calendar year. Key opportunities will mainly be accessed by providers through small group sessions to discuss future education, training and employment options based in the Student Study Area. Post-16 providers are also welcome to attend the annual Culcheth High School Careers Fair, where they can send a representative to publicise their provision to students and parents.

A limited number of assemblies could be available to providers but these will be first come first served and at the discretion of Culcheth High School in line with the school's assembly and 'Thought for the Week' schedule.

Post-14 Providers will have the opportunity to come in to speak to students through pre-arranged small group sessions to discuss future education, training and employment options based in the Student Study Area.

The school policy on safeguarding (link below) sets out the school's approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students.

<http://culchethhigh.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/Safeguarding-Policy-Sept-2016.pdf>

Premises and facilities

The school will make appropriate 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 IAG lead person.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Main Reception area. It will be then passed to the IAG Team for distribution and copies placed in the Student Study Area which is available to all students at lunch and break times.

Approval and review

Approved 24th January 2018 by Governors at Curriculum and Standards Committee

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