

Provider Access Policy

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1. Aims

1.1 This policy statement aims to set out our Academy's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students for the purpose of giving them information about their offer.

1.2 It sets out:

- Procedures in relation to requests for access
- The grounds for granting and refusing requests for access
- Details of premises or facilities to be provided to a person who is given access

2. Statutory requirements

- 2.1 Schools and Academies 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 purpose of informing them about approved technical education, qualifications or apprenticeships.
- 2.2 Schools and Academies 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 shows how our Academy complies with these requirements.

3. Student entitlement

- 3.1 All students in years 7 to 13 at Joseph Leckie Academy 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 to all available academic and technical courses

4. Management of provider access requests

- 4.1 **Procedure.** A provider wishing to request access should contact Camille Ebanks-Powell, Careers Leader, **Tel:** 01922 721071 or **email:** c.ebanks@josephleckieacademy.co.uk
- 4.2 **Opportunities for access.** A number of events, that are integrated into our careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into the Academy to speak to students and/or their parents/carers.

The following list provides examples of events from our Careers Programme for 2021-22:

	Autumn term	Spring term	Summer term
Year 7		National Careers Week assembly	PDP opportunities Careers Fair (TBC)
Year 8		Key Stage 4 options event National Careers Week assembly	Careers Fair (TBC) PDP opportunities

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Year 9	Assembly and tutor group opportunities - employability skills LionHeart Challenge	PDP opportunities National Careers Week assembly	PDP opportunities Careers Fair (TBC)
Year 10	Assembly and tutor group opportunities - employability skills	PDP opportunities National Careers Week assembly Brighter Futures BAME Project	Brighter Futures BAME Project Practice interview preparation sessions Careers Fair (TBC)
Year 11	Year 11 Practice interviews Blue Light Services Careers Day	Post-16 Evening National Careers Week assembly Study Skills Evening National Apprenticeship Week Activities	
Year 12	Assembly and small group opportunities - future education, training and employment options	Small group sessions future education, training and employment options National Careers Week assembly National Apprenticeship Week Activities	UCAS Week Work Experience Week Careers Fair (TBC)
Year 13	Assembly and small group opportunities - future education, training and employment options	Assembly and small group opportunities - employability skills National Careers Week assembly National Apprenticeship Week Activities	

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

4.3 **Granting and refusing access.** Access to students may be granted/refused based on the following criteria¹:

- The needs of the students
- The needs of the curriculum

¹ This list is not exhaustive and each access request will be considered on a case by case basis. We will always try to provide access wherever possible

- Timing of the Academy day
- Nature of request from the provider
- Number of requests received from providers
- Number of requests received for a particular cohort of students
- Quality of previous interactions with our students
- 4.4 **Safeguarding.** Our children and vulnerable adult protection policy outlines the Academy's procedure for checking the identity and suitability of visitors. Education and training providers will be expected to adhere to this policy. Please ensure that this policy is accessed and read before requesting access. This policy can be found on the Academy's website.
- 4.5 **Premises and facilities.** Facilities available for providers include:
 - Hall space with audio / visual equipment and access to the internet.
 - Classroom facilities with projectors or interactive equipment.
 - Computer room, if available.

The process for organising and agreeing which facilities can be used should be made when contacting the Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity. Providers can leave prospectuses or other material for students to read with the member of staff who is supervising the group to distribute at an appropriate time, this may not be at the same time as the session.

5. Links to other policies

- 5.1 This policy links to the following Academy policies, all of which can be accessed via the Academy website.
 - Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy
 - Careers Education Policy
 - Teaching and Learning Policy

6. Monitoring arrangements

6.1 The Academy's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students is monitored by Camille Ebanks-Powell, Careers Leader. This policy will be reviewed by Camille Ebanks-Powell, Careers Leader annually. At every review, the policy will be approved by the Trust Board.