

Ormiston Bolingbroke Academy

Provider Access Policy Statement

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1. 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.

2. 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 and group discussions and taster events.
- To understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

3. Management of provider access requests

3.1 Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact, Mrs Sheena Oulton, Assistant Principal.

Telephone: 01928 711643 ext. 8080 Email: s.oulton@ob-ac.co.uk

3.2 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:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	Life Skills assembly	Life Skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities	University Event
Year 9		Awareness of a range of post 16 options assembly	Life Skills- Work Experience preparation sessions

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Year 10		Life Skills – work experience preparation sessions. University Event	Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities
Year 11	Life Skills – assembly on opportunities at 16		Post-16 taster sessions
Year 12	Higher Education Fair	Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options	Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options
Year 13	Higher Education Fair	Workshops – HE and higher apprenticeship applications	

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

The academy policies on safeguarding and visitors sets out the school’s approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students. These can be found on the school website.

4. Premises and facilities

The Academy will make the Hall, Learning Street, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The Academy 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, which is managed by Mrs Oulton and the Careers Adviser. The Resource Centre is available to all students at lunch and break times.