

Newland Girls' School

Provider Access Statement

Introduction

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

Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 7-13 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 events, assemblies, group discussions and taster events;
- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical

For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (year 8 to 9) and two encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (year 10 to 11). For pupils in the 'third key phase' (year 12 to 13), particularly those that have not yet decided on their next steps, there are two more provider encounters available during this period, which are optional for pupils to attend.

These provider encounters will be scheduled during the main school hours and the provider will be given a reasonable amount of time to, as a minimum:

- share information about both the provider and the approved technical education qualification and apprenticeships that the provider offers
- explain what career routes those options could lead to
- provide insights into what it might be like to learn or train with that provider (including the opportunity to meet staff and pupils from the provider)
- answer questions from pupils.

Meaningful provider encounters

One encounter is defined as one meeting/session between pupils and one provider. courses.

Previous providers

In previous terms/years we have invited, amongst others, the following providers from the local area to speak to our pupils:

- Berkshire College of Agriculture
- Technical University College Reading
- Pfizer
- Three
- Astrazeneca
- Ultra Electronics
- Microsoft
- ASK Apprenticeship
- John Lewis Partnership

Destinations of our pupils

Last year our year 11 pupils moved to range of providers in the local area after school:

- Newlands Girls' School
- Henley College
- Furze Platt Senior School
- Berkshire College of Agriculture
- Sir William Borlase
- Local apprenticeships
- Reading College
- Holyport College
- Fashion Retail Academy
- Burnham Grammar
- Great Marlow School
- Harmony
- Luckley House
- Ranelagh School
- Reading Bluecoats
- The Piggott
- Windsor College

Last year our year 13 pupils moved to range of providers in the local area after school:

- University of Reading
- Royal Holloway, University of London
- Local apprenticeships
- University of Westminster, London
- Employment
- Two students to BCA
- Brunel University London
- Buckinghamshire New University
- Drama & Theatrical School in London
- Kingston University
- St Mary's University, Twickenham
- UCL (University College London)
- Fashion Retail Academy
- King's College London
- London School of Economics
- University of Greenwich
- University of Oxford
- University of Surrey

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Natalia Jandrell, Careers Leader
NataliaJandrell@Newlandsgirls.co.uk; 01628 625068

Opportunities for access

A number of events are integrated into the school careers programme which would potentially offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students. The school calendar varies from year to year so providers need to contact the member of staff named above to identify the most suitable opportunity. The events are usually arranged well in advance so it is essential that providers contact us early in the academic year to be involved in our planning.

Access will be granted on the understanding that information and guidance offered by providers is related to technical courses and apprenticeship opportunities only. Providers will be expected to meet the school's safeguarding requirements.

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Year 8		University Technical College assembly visit	
Year 9	Apprenticeship provider visit for World of Work event		
Year 10		Visit from a local college and ASK Apprenticeship Service for World of Work event	
Year 11		University Technical College assembly visit	
Year 12			Higher Education Conference
Year 13		Apprenticeship provider assembly visit	

Premises and facilities

The school will make available appropriate rooms and facilities, including AV 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.

In exceptional circumstances a meaningful online engagement may also be an option.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature in the Careers Library, which is managed by the school librarian. The Careers Library is accessibly by all students.

Complaints:

Any complaints with regards to provider access can be raised following the school complaints procedure or directly with The Careers & Enterprise Company via provideraccess@careersandenterprise.co.uk.