Fairfield High School for Girls

Provider Access Policy Statement (CEIAG)



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Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to 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 8 to 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 and group discussions and taster events;
- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for Year 8 to 9 pupils and two encounters for Year 10 to 11 pupils. For pupils in 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. We are committed to providing meaningful encounters to all pupils using the Making it meaningful checklist.

Previous providers

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

- Greater Manchester Learning Network Provider
- The Growth Company
- Tameside College
- The Manchester College

Destinations of our pupils

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

- Ashton Sixth Form College
- Clarendon College
- Oldham Sixth Form College
- The Manchester College
- Tameside College
- Loreto
- Xaverian

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact;

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Opportunities for access

The school offers the four provider encounters required by law (marked in bold text) and a number of additional events, delivered as part of the school's careers and progression programme. We will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents/carers. Please speak to the Senior Assistant Headteacher (CEIAG) or the CEIAG Lead to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Access to pupils and/or their parents/carers will be granted at the school's discretion, taking into account both the school's legal obligations and the best interests of the pupils.

Access will be granted on the understanding that the information and guidance offered by providers is related to technical courses, apprenticeship opportunities or other aspects of CEIAG as agreed, in advance, by the Senior Assistant Headteacher (CEIAG) or CEIAG Lead. Providers and/or their representatives will be expected to meet the school's safeguarding requirements.

Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and pupils, 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 Senior Assistant Headteacher (CEIAG) or the CEIAG Lead.

Providers are welcome to request that a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature be added to the Careers section of the school library. This resource is available to all pupils at lunch and break times.

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8		Employer encounters – Inspiring Women Speed Networking Employability Workshops	Careers lesson in Life Skills will include the full range of post 16 options available
Year 9	Careers lessons to promote FE, Sixth Form and apprenticeship providers	As part of the preparation for choosing options all Year 9 pupils will participate in: T level presentation Apprenticeship presentation 1:1 guidance interview linking option choices to post 16 pathways	
Year 10		Year 10 assembly on apprenticeships. An assembly showing the range of apprenticeship providers and the courses they offer – GMLPN T Level assembly Employability skills workshops	FE taster day — all pupils will have the opportunity to a post 16 campus 1:1 guidance interview to discuss suitable post 16 routes including details of FE and Sixth Form open days Careers lessons to promote FE, Sixth Form and apprenticeship/technical providers. Fairfield Futures — employability workshops, meet the employer, FE, Technical, vocational, T level presentations.
Year 11	Post 16 Convention to promote the full range of post 16 options. This will include presentations and information stands from FE, Sixth form, Apprenticeship and HE providers Open events for all FE/Sixth form providers shared 1:1 guidance to discuss post 16 pathways	1:1 guidance to discuss post 16 pathways Apprenticeship assembly to promote providers Apprenticeship application workshops Apprenticeship adverts shared directly with pupils	1:1 guidance to discuss post 16 pathways Apprenticeship adverts shared directly with pupils