

# Sandwell Academy

## Provider Access Policy

### Introduction

This policy statement sets out the Academy's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at the Academy for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the Academy's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997 and in conjunction with current GDPR regulations.

### Student entitlement

All 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 events, 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:

Sue Timms, Director of Careers & Guidance  
Telephone: 0121 525 1700  
Email: [stimms@Sandwellacademy.com](mailto:stimms@Sandwellacademy.com)

### Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the Academy careers programme will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers:

	Events / Opportunities for providers to come and speak to students these can be held in house or virtually.
Year 8	Careers Assembly
Year 9	Careers Assembly
Year 10	Assembly on future options
Year 11	Employability Small group sessions and Careers Assembly
Year 12	Higher Education and Careers Fair
Year 13	Insight Talks

Please speak to our Director of Careers and Guidance to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

### **Premises and facilities**

The Academy will make appropriate spaces available for discussions between providers and students. The Academy will also make available any resources available to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Director of Careers and Guidance or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature within the Careers and Guidance Department. All students have full access to the Careers and Guidance office at break and lunchtimes, where possible. Students can also arrange appointments with members of the Careers Team.

### **Approval and review**

Next review: September 2021

Mr Ian Williams, Headteacher