

Provider Access Legislation – January 2023 Update

This replaces Appendix 3 in CEIAG Policy – Church Stretton School

Application for Provider Access

Introduction

This document 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 new update is from January 2023*; prior to this it had complied with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 7-11 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 events, assemblies and group discussions and taster events;
- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

2023 Amendment

Amendment to the Skills Bill specifying schools provide at least six encounters with providers of approved technical education qualifications or apprenticeships.

Two in Y8/9, two in Y10/11 (which are mandatory for all registered learners to attend) two in Y12/13 (which it is mandatory the school offer but optional for learners to attend).

Two encounters in same phase cannot be with the exact same provider.

Ask providers to whom access is given to provide information that includes the following—

- information about the provider and the approved technical education qualifications or apprenticeships that the provider offers*
- information about the careers to which those technical education qualifications or apprenticeships might lead*
- a description of what learning or training with the provider is like*
- responses to questions from the pupils about the provider or approved technical education qualifications and apprenticeships.*

Key information

Mandated for each registered pupil not just select groups.

Underpinning statutory guidance (which will be consulted on) will include details of the full range of providers that DfE expect all pupils to have the opportunity to meet during their time at secondary school

Expected to come into force in January 2023 –with a consultation first (c June 2022)

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact **Matthew Lowe, Careers Lead**.

Telephone: 01694 722209

Email: Matthew.Lowe@csschool.co.uk

Opportunities for access

The school offers a comprehensive Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance programme and an overview of this programme can be seen in the School's Careers Policy which can be seen on the school website.

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

The school will make a suitable space available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available ICT and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Advisor or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with the Careers Lead so that they can be used and displayed in the Careers Areas of the school.