

Padgate Academy: Education Provider Access Policy

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.

Student entitlement

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.
- 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 Maria Siddall, PA to the Principal,

Telephone: (01925) 822632 Email: msiddall@padgateacademy.co.uk

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	Local education and training providers are invited to attend parents evening to engage with students and parents	Local education and training providers are invited to attend the Academy careers to provide all students with access to information.	Local education and training providers are invited to deliver activities at the Academy Experience Week during the last week of the year.
Year 9	Local education and training providers are invited to attend	Local education and training providers are invited to attend the	Local education and training providers are invited to deliver

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	parents evening to engage with students and parents	Academy careers fair to provide all students with access to information. Local education and training providers are invited to attend the KS4 Academy options evening	activities at the Academy Experience Week during the last week of the year.
Year 10	Local education and training providers are invited to visit the Academy to deliver assemblies and talk to students during lunch.	Students take part in a careers PSHEE day and week of tutor group activities on the theme of IAG. Local education providers are invited to deliver presentations and activities on the day and during the week. Local education and training providers are invited to attend the Academy careers fair to provide all students with access to information. Local education and training providers are invited to attend parents evening to engage with students and parents	Students are able to visit local education providers for taster days Local education providers are invited to deliver activities at the Academy Experience Week during the last week of the year.
Year 11	Local education and training providers are invited to attend parents evening. Local providers are invited to visit the Academy to deliver assemblies and talk to students during lunch.	Students take part in a careers PSHEE day and week of tutor group activities on the theme of IAG. Local education and training providers are invited to deliver presentations and activities on the day and during the week. Local education and training providers are invited to attend the	

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		<p>Academy careers fair to provide all students with access to information.</p> <p>Opportunities provided for students who have not yet completed application forms to complete them with staff from local providers coming into the Academy to support.</p>	

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

The school policy on safeguarding sets out the school’s approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students.

Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, 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 Careers Leader or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature in the school library. The Library is available to all students at lunch and break times.

Approval and review

Approved *[date]* by Governors at Curriculum and Standards Committee

Next review: *[date]*

Signed: *[name]* Chair of Governors

[name] Head teacher