



Downham Market Academy Provider Access Policy

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1. Introduction

This policy statement sets out the arrangements for managing the access of providers to students 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.

2. Student entitlement

All students in years 7-13 are entitled:

- o 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.

3. Management of provider access requests

3.1 Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

Karen Lonsdale

Head of PSHE & Careers Lead

Email: klonsdale@dma.tela.org.uk

3.2 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 students and/or their parents/carers. These will be advertised to the community as necessary.

3.3 Premises and facilities

The school will make appropriate rooms available for discussions between the provider and students. 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 Karen Lonsdale and the site team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with Karen Lonsdale, Head of PSHE & Careers Lead, for students to access. Any relevant websites and links will be added to the Information, Advice and Guidance section of the Downham Market Academy website, in order for students and parents to have a full overview.

4. Approval and review

Reviewed Annually by Head of School and ratified by Governors