

Policy Statement – Provider Access

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1. Introduction

This policy statement 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 complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

2. Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 8-13 are entitled:

- to find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship 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

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Georgina McMath (Careers Lead)

Telephone: 0121 666 6409 ext. 2211

Email: mcmathg@jamesbrindley.org.uk

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

4. Premises and facilities

The school will make a 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. If not available to visit the academy JBA are able to facilitate an online meeting of external providers and young people.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature, which will be displayed within access to pupils in each sector.



5. Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the academy careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into the academy to speak to pupils and/or their parents/carers. Other opportunities may be suitable but would need to fit into the academy calendar and would be at the decision of James Brindley Academy:

Throughout the year			
Year 7	Form time & assembly slots PD Lessons	Virtual Careers Fair STEAM day	Work related talk and visit
Year 8	Form time & assembly slots PD Lessons	Virtual Careers Fair STEAM day	Work related talk and visit
Year 9	Form time & assembly slots PD Lessons	Virtual Careers Fair STEAM day KS4 options evenings	Work related talk and visit
Year 10	Careers day visits and talks in school: local post 16 education and apprenticeship providers	Virtual Careers Fair Individual careers meetings with impartial careers adviser	Work related talks and visits Work experience opportunities
Year 11	Careers day visits and talks in school: local post 16 education and apprenticeship providers	Virtual Careers Fair Individual careers meetings with impartial careers adviser	Work related talks and visits Work experience opportunities
Year 12 & Year 13	Careers Fair including both FE and HE Form time & assembly slots PD Lessons	Virtual Careers Fair Individual careers meetings with impartial careers adviser	Work related talks and visits