



# Stanchester Academy

## Provider access policy

### Approved by:

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### Aims and statutory requirements

This policy statement aims to set out Stanchester Academy's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with Stanchester's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

### Student entitlement

All students from Year 7 - 11 are entitled to:

- Find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of our careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses

## Management of provider access requests

A provider wishing to request access should contact the school office on 01935 823200  
office@stanchester-academy.co.uk

## Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into our careers programme, offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to our students/their parents/carers. We will always aspire to invite local providers to attend and support opportunities such as targeted career events, workshops and lessons, school-wide assemblies, tutor sessions, parent's evenings, networking events, post 16 options event, and focused individualised sessions.

Please contact the school to identify the most suitable opportunity.

## Safeguarding

Our safeguarding/child protection policy outlines the school's procedure for checking the identity and suitability of visitors.

Education and training providers will be expected to adhere to this policy.

Our school's policies can be viewed [here](#).

## Premises and facilities

Once visits have been agreed, we will strive to provide appropriate facilities to facilitate the visit, along with any equipment requested by the provider, where it is available, in order that they can showcase what they do.

Sessions can be held in different venues according to the number of students and the requirements of the provider. We have several multi-functional spaces. Visits can be in the main hall for large assemblies, in the classroom with a smaller group, or in a communal space with high footfall for more informal pop-up stands.

We welcome literature such as prospectuses and appropriate material that provides information on future pathways for our students to read, and for display in relevant places around the school campus. This can be both hard copies and electronic. The latter can be shared in mail outs/careers notices sent to pupils, staff and parents.

## Review

This policy will be reviewed annually by the school's careers team and Careers Leader of Bridgwater and Taunton College Trust (Clare Lewis). At every review, the policy will be approved by the school's senior leadership team.