



# Fullhurst Community College

## Provider Access Policy

### Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to 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.

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### Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 8 to 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 – through options events, assemblies, group discussions and taster events;
- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

**For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (year 8 to 9) and two encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (year 10 to 11).**

These provider encounters will be scheduled during the main school hours and the provider will be given a reasonable amount of time to, as a minimum:

- share information about both the provider and the approved technical education qualification and apprenticeships that the provider offers;

- explain what career routes those options could lead to;
  - provide insights into what it might be like to learn or train with that provider (including the opportunity to meet staff and pupils from the provider); and
  - answer questions from pupils.
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## **Meaningful provider encounters**

One encounter is defined as one meeting/session between pupils and one provider. We are committed to providing meaningful encounters to all pupils using the [“Making it meaningful” checklist](#).

Meaningful online engagement is also an option, and we are open to providers that are able to provide live online engagement with our pupils.

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## **Previous providers**

In previous terms/years we have invited the following providers from the local area to speak to our pupils:

- Beauchamp City Sixth Form
  - Gateway College
  - Leicester College
  - Leicestershire Education Business Company (LEBC)
  - Leicestershire Fire and Rescue
  - Leicestershire Police
  - Loughborough College
  - North Warwickshire and South Leicestershire College (NWSLC)
  - Royal Air Force
  - Royal Navy
  - SMB (Stephenson Melton Brooksby) College
  - Wigston College
  - WQE College
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## **Destinations of our pupils**

Last year our year 11 pupils moved to a range of providers in the local area after school including the following colleges and sixth forms. (Please note that this is not an exhaustive list of post-16 training providers. Our year 11 pupils also moved on to apprenticeships and other training providers are available.)

- Beauchamp City Sixth Form

- English Martyrs Sixth Form
  - Gateway College
  - Leicester College
  - Loughborough College
  - NWSLC
  - SMB College
  - Wigston College
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## Management of provider access requests

### Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact: Clare Foxon (Leader of Careers) on [careers@fullhurst.leicester.sch.uk](mailto:careers@fullhurst.leicester.sch.uk)

The school reserves the right to decline requests for a number of reasons, including (but not restricted to) the following:

- if such attendance would provide an imbalanced view of available provision (e.g. several apprenticeship providers at an event and no colleges);
  - if the provider's input would not be relevant to a particular event if the request is not timely (e.g. students have already heard from similar providers during the year, or if they are involved in end of year exams);
  - if the information is not seen to be in the best interest of pupils or there are concerns about the ethics or quality of the provision. In such cases, Head of School or the Careers Leader would inform the provider of this decision and the reason why. If the provider wishes to appeal this decision, they can contact the Head of School. If the provider wishes to appeal the decision received from the Head of School, they should contact the Chair of Governors at the school.
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## Opportunities for access

The school offers the four provider encounters required by law (marked below in bold text) and a number of additional events, integrated into the school careers programme. We will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils or their parents or carers.

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

**Two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (years 8 and 9) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend.**

1. Year 8 – Leicestershire Education Business Company 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025. Assembly times: 8:30am-9:05am.
2. Year 9 – Various providers (such as RAF, Leicestershire Police, Leicestershire Fire and Rescue) at our Careers Fair 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024. Time: 14:30-18:00
3. Year 9 – Gateway College Assembly 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024. Assembly times: 8:30am-9:05am.

4. Year 9 - Leicestershire Education Business Company 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025. Assembly times: 8:30am-9:05am.
5. Year 9 – Royal Navy Assembly 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025. Assembly time: 08:30-09:05am.

**Two encounters for pupils during the ‘second key phase’ (years 10 or 11) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend.**

6. Year 10 – Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Assembly 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025. Assembly times: 8:30am-9:05am.
7. Year 11 – Gateway College Assembly 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024. Assembly times: 8.30am-09:05am.
8. Year 10 and 11 – Various providers (such as RAF, Leicestershire Police, Leicestershire Fire and Rescue) at our Careers Fair 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024. Time: 14:30-18:00
9. Year 11 –Leicester College Assembly Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024. Assembly times: 8:30am-9:05am.
10. Year 11 – North Warwickshire and South Leicestershire 18<sup>th</sup> November 2024. Assembly times: 8:30am-9:05am.

In addition to the mandatory encounters, we will offer providers further opportunities to come into school to speak to pupils or their parents/carers.

Opportunities include:

#### **Year 7**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
Fire Brigade Assembly	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	8:30am-9:05am
The Careers Fair	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	16:00pm-18:00pm
Enterprise Day	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	8:30am-15:05pm
An assembly with an apprenticeship provider during National Apprenticeship Week	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 or Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	8:30am-9:05am
An assembly with an employer during National Careers Week	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2025- Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	8:30am-9:05am
Speed Networking Event	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	8:30am-14:05pm
STEM Roadshow	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	9:05am-11:20am

#### **Year 8**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
The Careers Fair	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	16:00pm-18:00pm
Enterprise Day	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	8:30am-15:05pm
The Big Ideas Project	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	8:30am-15:05pm
LEBC Apprenticeship Assembly	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	8:30am-9:05am
STEM Roadshow	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	8:30am-11:20am

#### **Year 9**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
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Ambitions launch	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	13:00pm-15:00pm
The Careers Fair	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	16:00pm-18:00pm
Ambitions trip: University of Nottingham	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	8:00am-16:00pm
Gateway College Assembly	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	8:30am-9:05am
An assembly with an apprenticeship provider during National Apprenticeship Week	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2025- Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	8:30am-9:05am
An assembly with an employer during National Careers Week	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2025-Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	8:30am-9:05am

### Year 10

Event	Date	Time
The Careers Fair	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	16:00pm-18:00pm
Bibby Financial Services Mentoring	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2024- Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2024	9:05am-10:05am
Fire Service Assembly	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	8:30am-9:05am
LEBC Careers Meetings	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2025- Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	9:05am-15:05pm
Speed Networking Event	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	9:05am-15:05pm
Work Experience	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2025-Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025.	8:30am-15:05pm

### Year 11

Event	Date	Time
LEBC Careers Meeting Mop-ups	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024- Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	9:05am-15:05pm
Connexions Meetings	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2024	8:30am-15:00pm
SMB Assembly	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	8:30am-9:05pm
Gateway Assembly	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	8:30am-9:05pm
Beauchamp City Assembly	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	8:30am-9:05am
Ambitions Launch	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	12:30pm-14:00pm
The Careers Fair	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	14:00pm-18:00pm
WQE Assembly	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	8:30am-9:05am
Leicester College Assembly	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	8:30am-9:05am
NWSLC Assembly	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	8:30am-9:05am
Mock Interviews	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	9:20am-15:05pm
Leicester College Apprenticeship Assembly	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	8:30am-9:05am
RAF Apprenticeship Assembly	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	8:30am-9:05am
Assembly with an employer for National Careers Week	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2025- Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	8:30am-9:05am

The school's policy on [safeguarding](#) lays out the school's approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students.

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## Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and pupils, 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.

Meaningful online engagement is also an option and we are open to providers that are able to provide live online engagement with our pupils.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at Main Reception, Imperial Campus, Imperial Avenue, LE3 1AH.

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## Complaints

Any complaints with regards to provider access can be raised following the school complaints procedure or directly with The Careers & Enterprise Company via [provideraccess@careersandenterprise.co.uk](mailto:provideraccess@careersandenterprise.co.uk).

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## Approval and review

This policy will be monitored and reviewed on an annual basis, to ensure that current legislation and best practice is recorded.

Approved 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2025, by Governors at Full Governing Body Meeting.

- **Next review:** January 2026
- **Signed:** Simon Willcock - Senior Deputy Headteacher



- **Signed:** Lynne Folwell - Chair of Governors

