



Provider Access Policy Statement

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1. Aims

This policy statement aims to set out our school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students for the purpose of giving them information about their offer. It sets out:

- Procedures in relation to requests for access
- The grounds for granting and refusing requests for access
- Details of premises or facilities to be provided to a person who is given access

2. Statutory Requirements

Schools are required to ensure that there is an opportunity for a range of education and training providers to access students in years 8 to 13 for the purposes of informing them about approved technical education, qualifications or apprenticeships.

Schools must also have a policy statement that outlines the circumstances in which education and training providers will be given access to these students.

This is outlined in section 42B of the [Education Act 1997](#).

This policy shows how our school complies with these requirements.

3. Student Entitlement

All students in years 8 to 11 at Armthorpe Academy 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.

4. Management of Provider Access Requests

4.1 Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Colin Abraham, Deputy Headteacher

Telephone: 01302 831582

Email: colin.abraham@consilium-at.com

4.2 Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into our careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers. Some of these are detailed below:

	2021-22
YEAR 7	Year 7 Settling in Evening Year 7 Parents Evening
YEAR 8	Year 8 Parents Evening “Get into STEM” day Effective Study Skills Evening
YEAR 9	Year 9 Parents Evening Y9 GCSE options evening University Day
YEAR 10	Y10 Parents Evening Y10 GCSE Evening Workwise STEM programme College Visits
YEAR 11	Year 11 Parents Evening Year 11 Study Skills evening Workwise STEM programme Mock Interview Day

Please speak to our Deputy Headteacher to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

4.3 Granting and refusing access

When making enquiries about accessing our students, please clearly identify and provide:

- Name of your establishment
- Written material you will share with our students Page 3 of 3
- Outline of your presentation and topics you will cover
- The age group you would like to access.
- Copy of your organisation identification

We may refuse access to a provider if their vision and values are incompatible with Armthorpe Academy.

4.4 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.

4.5 Premises and facilities

- The academy will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity.
- The academy will also make available any specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with Academy staff or a member of providers team.
- Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Academy. This material will be distributed to students as required.

5. Links to other Policies

For further guidance, please refer to:

- Safeguarding/child protection policy
- Careers guidance policy
- Curriculum policy

6. Monitoring Arrangements

The school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students are monitored by Colin Abraham.

As recommended by the DFE, this policy will be reviewed by Colin Abraham on an annual basis.

At every review, the policy will be approved by the local academy board.