



Barnwood Park School

Provider Access Statement

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Barnwood Park School Careers Guidance Provider Access Statement

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Introduction

This Policy statement sets out Barnwood Park School's compliance to its legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997. To make arrangements for managing access of providers to the Pupils at the School for the purpose of giving information to the Pupils about the provider's education or training offering.

Pupil entitlement – All Pupils in Y8-13 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, 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)
- answer questions from Pupils

Our School Safeguarding Policy sets out the school's approach to allowing visitors to our school.

Opportunities for access

The school offers the four provider encounters required by law and a number of additional events, integrated into the school careers programme.

These include:

- Guest speaker assemblies
- Employability workshops – CV writing, interview skills, Soft skills for the work place
- Assembly career talks (whole school, whole year groups, part year groups)
- Annual Career Fair – Tell the students about what your establishment has to offer
- Workshops facilitated on and off site
- Visits to their location (off school outings)
- Career Café – people to talk about what it is like to be in a job role/career
- Experiences in the workplace
- Online activities – website games, information giving, useful questionnaires
- Via written communications e.g. Emails/Posters/leaflet/
- Invites to open day events

Premises and facilities

The school will make the hall, sports hall, dance studio, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and the 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 the team. Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at our main reception and with our main contact.

Management of Provider Access requests Procedure

A provider wishing to request access and for whom there may be procedural requirements, should contact Claire Dallimore on careers@barnwoodpark.co.uk or 01452 530389

What are the rules for granting and refusing access requests?

We will grant access requests that meet the following criteria:

- DBS checked
- Those without DBS must be accompanied by a member of staff at all times
- All visitors must have read and understood the school's safeguarding policy.
- The request supports the programme of planned careers education and guidance for the targeted pupil ground and the focus appropriateness of proposed content;
- The timing of the request can be included in the schedule of events for other careers events, assemblies, visits by other providers and employers;
- The timings of the requests in relation to mock exams, final exams and moderation days, and other events already scheduled annually;
- Whether this is a return visit to the academy by the provider and the overall quality and impact of previous visits had of groups of pupils;
- Availability of school staff to support the visit
- The availability and appropriateness of the academy accommodation to meet the needs of the request

If a request cannot be accommodated by the school, the school will contact the provider and explain reasons why and seek a solution to allow appropriate access.

Complaints

Any complaints with regards to provider access can be raised following the school complaints procedure, available via the school website, or directly with The Careers & Enterprise Company via provideraccess@careersandenterprise.co.uk

Appendix:

Previous providers

Destinations of our pupils

APPENDIX

Previous providers

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

We have had the following list of schools, colleges, employers, and alternative provision and apprenticeship providers come to school for the Careers Fayre or to present or run workshops for the Pupils:

AccXel	Learning Curve Group
CGI	Miester Stone Masonry
Chosen Hill School & Sixth Form	MIRA SHOWERS
Cirencester College	MOD - Army
Cotswold Archaeology	NHS
Dean Close Little Trees Nurseries	Ontic
Denmark Road High School	Poeton Industries
Cheltenham Football Club	Renishaw
Cyberfirst Outreach Partners	Ribston Hall High School – Sixth form
EDF	Rich Watts Public Speaking
EG Carter	Safran Landing Systems
GCC Post 16 Mentor	SGS Stroud College
GET Engineering	St Peters High School
Gloucestershire College	SunLounger Travel
Gloucestershire Highways	TBS Engineering
GROWS	The Crypt School
Hartpury College	University of Gloucestershire
Henley Bank High School	Ubico
Hooray Recruitment	
Holmleigh Park High School	- Civil Service Employee
Hollie Gazzard Trust	- School Governors
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Notes:

1. More companies were invited to the Careers Fayre but not able to attend.
2. Many more companies have supported the school by giving the Yr 10 Pupils Work Experience Placements

Destinations of our pupils

Last year our year 11 pupils moved to range of providers:

- St Peters Sixth Form Centre
- Denmark Road Sixth Form
- Gloucestershire College
- Hartpury College
- Cirencester Sixth Form College
- Holmleigh Park High School
- The Crypt School
- Ribston Hall High School Sixth Form
- SGS – South Gloucestershire and Stroud College
- Chosen Hill School & Sixth Form
- Sir Thomas Rich's School
- SGS Berkeley Green UTC
- Bridge Training
- Churchdown School Academy
- Military Preparation College Gloucester
- Prospect Training Services
- Various Foundation Apprenticeships
- Advanced Apprenticeship