

# Priory Policy Statement on Provider Access

## The Priory Ruskin Academy: Provider Access Policy

### Introduction

This policy statement sets out the academy's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the academy for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the academy's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Our academy is part of The Priory Federation of Academies Trust.

- The Trust's mission is to improve the life chances of its pupils to enable them to become true citizens of the world.
- The Trust values the achievement of excellence through the development of: knowledge, curiosity, generosity, courage and passion.

The academy works with partner providers who share its mission and values and who can demonstrate that they have the appropriate capacity and support systems in place for our pupils.

Our academy has its own careers programme, using impartial advice that supports students in developing a wider appreciation of the opportunities for progression.

### Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 8 to 13 are entitled:

- to find out about apprenticeship opportunities and technical education qualifications, 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 apprenticeships and technical education – 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.

### Management of provider access requests

#### Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Mr R Johnston, Careers Lead, using [rjohnston@prioryacademies.co.uk](mailto:rjohnston@prioryacademies.co.uk) or Miss L Pexton, Communication and Careers Monitoring Officer, using [lpexton@prioryacademies.co.uk](mailto:lpexton@prioryacademies.co.uk)

## 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 or their parents or carers.

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	Overview of post 16 options for students and parents, to include: A levels, Applied General Qualifications (e.g., BTECs), technical/vocational qualifications, apprenticeships, traineeships and supported internships	Employer event for students, parents – market stall event giving overview of local, regional and national opportunities and skills requirement  Meetings with careers adviser  Event for University Technical Colleges	Technical/vocational tasters at local college/s, training providers  Meetings with careers adviser
Year 9	Event for providers of technical education/ apprenticeships to include Further Education colleges, UTCs or Studio schools and training providers  Meetings with careers adviser	Meetings with careers adviser  KS4 options event	Technical/vocational tasters at local college/s, training providers  Meetings with careers adviser
Year 10	Life Skills – work experience preparation sessions  Meetings with careers adviser	Technical/vocational tasters at local college/s, training providers  Meetings with careers adviser	Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities  Meetings with careers adviser

Year 11	<p>Post 16 provider open evenings: opportunities to visit local Further Education and sixth form colleges, other school UTCs, Studio schools and other training providers regarding A level, Applied General, technical and vocational and apprenticeships.</p> <p>Meetings with careers adviser</p> <p>Post 16 applications</p>	Post-16 interviews	Confirmation of post 16 education destinations for all students
Year 12	<p>Post-18 assembly – higher and degree apprenticeships</p> <p>Meetings with careers adviser</p>	<p>Oxbridge Widening participation Conference</p> <p>Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options</p> <p>Meetings with careers adviser</p>	<p>Small group sessions: future education, training, employment options and UCAS process</p> <p>Higher Education Fair for a variety of HE providers including local Further Education colleges</p> <p>Meetings with careers adviser</p>
Year 13	Workshops – HE and Higher apprenticeship applications	Meetings with careers adviser	Confirmation of post 18 education destinations for all students

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

### **Premises and facilities**

The academy will make the Great Hall, the Training Suite and the Boardroom available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The academy will make available audio visual technology to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit, with Mr R Johnston, Careers Lead, or Miss L Pexton, Communication and Careers Monitoring Officer.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Reading Room, managed by the Mrs V Geeson, the Reading Room and Community Manager, or The Sixth Form Pavilion. The Reading Room and Pavilion are available to all students at lunch and break times.