



**Somercotes Academy**



**Tollbar MAT**  
Family of Academies

## **PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY**

**April 2018**

## 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.

## Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 8-13 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 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  
Laura Patrick - Citizenship Curriculum Leader  
Telephone 01507 358352

## Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents/carers:

|         | <b>Autumn Term</b> | <b>Spring Term</b>  | <b>Summer Term</b>  |
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| Year 8  |                    | Careers group work led by in house careers consultant and Citizenship staff.<br><br>GCSE Options evening-careers information available<br>careers advice.<br><br>'Here for you'- Careers advise weekly drop in. | Citizenship SOW-weekly lessons Careers, raising aspirations and 'The Buzz'- David Hodgson- Confidence building and careers advise.<br><br>STEM Enterprise day |
| Year 9  |                    | Careers group work led by in house careers consultant and Citizenship staff.<br><br>'Here for you'- Careers advise weekly drop in.  | LinHigher aspiration talks<br><br>STEM Enterprise Day   |
| Year 10 |                    | 'Here for you'- Careers advise drop in.   | Appointments available with independent careers consultant.   |

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|         |   | Positively MAD, raising aspirations around revision skills and aims.<br><br>Project ASK – students encouraged and informed about the local and national apprenticeship programme. | Tollbar Sixth Form taster days.<br><br>Grimsby Institute taster day.<br><br>North East Lincolnshire Skills Fair- whole cohort. |
| Year 11 | Parents/ carers evening-independent careers advise available.<br><br>Citizenship SOW- Employability & Record of Achievement.<br><br>Citizenship SOW- Lincs 2 support and future careers options.<br><br>NCS – giving opportunity to experience university life. | 'Here for you'- Careers advise weekly drop in.<br><br>Parent/ carers evening-independent careers advise available.<br><br>Louth Skills Fair                                       |  |

### **Premises and facilities**

The Academy will make the halls or classrooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The Academy 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.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with the Curriculum Leader.