

The Charter School: Provider Access Policy 2017-2018

Introduction

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

Student entitlement

Students 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 evenings, assemblies and group discussions and careers and further/higher education 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:

Shalene Varcoe, Head of External Affairs and Career Aspirations

Telephone: 020 7346 6636; Email: SVarcoe@charter.southwark.sch.uk

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:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities	Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities	Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities
Year 9	Careers and Education Fair for Employers,	Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities	Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
	University and Technical Colleges KS4 Options event		
Year 10	Careers and Education Fair for Employers, University and Technical Colleges	Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities	Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities
Year 11	Life Skills – assembly on opportunities at 16 Careers and Education Fair for Employers, University and Technical Colleges	Parents Post 16 information evening Post 16 taster sessions	GCSE Results Day -August
Year 12	Careers and Education Fair for Employers, University and Technical Colleges Post 18 assembly – apprenticeships		Destinations Week: Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options
Year 13	Careers and Education Fair for Employers, University and Technical Colleges Workshops – HE and higher apprenticeship applications		

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

The school policy on safeguarding sets out the school's approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students.

<http://www.charter.southwark.sch.uk/page/?title=Safeguarding&pid=280>

Premises and facilities

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

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Careers Resource Centre, which is managed by the school librarian, or in the careers adviser's office. The Resource Centre is available to all students at lunch and break times and after school.