

	POLICY TITLE:	Provider Access Policy
Kingsmead Academy T/A Kingsmead School		
Committee/Person Responsible for Policy:		Deputy Headteacher : Provision & Progress Provision & Progress sub-committee
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1. Introduction

This policy statement sets out Kingsmead 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.

2. Student entitlement

Students in years 7-11 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 taster events.
- To understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

3. Management of provider access requests

Procedure:

A provider wishing to request access should contact Deputy Headteacher for Provision & Progress. Telephone 01984 623483.

4. 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 7	STEM Careers event	Careers/enterprise as part of PSHCE programme	Careers/options based lunchtime drop in sessions
Year 8	Careers based lunchtime sessions	Off timetable careers day Year 8 Options Evening Careers/enterprise as part of PSHCE programme	Careers and options based lunchtime sessions
Year 9	Off timetable careers day	Careers/Options based Lunchtime drop in sessions Careers/enterprise as part of PSHCE programme	Careers/options based lunchtime drop in sessions
Year 10	Careers interviews with the Kingsmead Careers Advisor Careers fair for parents and students Off timetable careers day Year 10 Parents Evening with providers access Careers/enterprise as part of PSHCE programme	Careers interviews with the Kingsmead Careers Advisor Careers/options based lunchtime drop in sessions	Careers interviews with the Kingsmead Careers Advisor 1 week of Work Experience Assemblies from a range of providers Careers/options based lunchtime drop in sessions
Year 11	Careers fair for parents and students Assemblies from a range of providers Careers interviews with the Kingsmead Careers Advisor Careers/enterprise as part of PSHCE programme	Careers/options based lunchtime drop in sessions Careers interviews with the Kingsmead Careers Advisor Year 11 Parents Evening with providers access	

Please speak to Deputy Headteacher: Provision & Progress to identify the most suitable opportunity for you. The Kingsmead School policy on safeguarding sets out the school's approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students.

5. Premises and facilities

The school will make the Dining/Sports Hall, classrooms or meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available audio and visual equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Deputy Headteacher: Provision & Progress or another member of school staff.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant literature at reception, which will be distributed to students and/or stored in the Careers Library. The Careers Library is available to all students at set times each week.