

# **ALL HALLOWS RC HIGH SCHOOL**



## **PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY** DRAFT

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## **What is the Baker Clause?**

Introduced as an amendment to the Technical and Further Education Act 2017, the Baker Clause stipulates that schools must allow colleges and training providers access to every student in years 8- 13 to discuss non-academic routes that are available to them (See Appendix A). It is expected that by doing so this will help address the UK's productivity challenges and address skills shortages experienced across several sectors of the economy. This regulation has been enforced since January 2nd 2018.

The Department for Education's Statutory guidance for governing bodies, school leaders and school staff sets out the expectations of schools which includes:

- \* Every school must ensure that there is an opportunity for a range of education and training providers to access all pupils in year 8 to year 13 for the purpose of informing them about approved technical education qualifications or apprenticeships.
- \* Every school must publish a policy statement setting out their arrangements for provider access and ensure that it is followed.

## **Introduction**

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

## **Pupil entitlement**

All pupils in years 8-11 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 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 Mrs Julianne Hobin, Head of PSHE, RSE & Careers, Telephone: 01619211900; Email: [j.hobin@allhallowsrc.co.uk](mailto:j.hobin@allhallowsrc.co.uk) OR Mrs Jenilee Perkins Email: [j.perkins@allhallowsrc.co.uk](mailto:j.perkins@allhallowsrc.co.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/carers:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	Careers convention held in school with a number of FE colleges, training/ apprenticeship providers and employers available for pupils to speak to.	World of Work enterprise day gives pupils the opportunity to talk to business volunteers from a variety of industries before choosing their GCSE options.  Inspired to Aspire mentoring project led by business volunteers delivering workshops over 12 weeks focusing on key employability skills and workplace behaviors.	Subject specific events with careers industry links
Year 9	Careers convention held in school with a number of FE colleges, training/ apprenticeship providers and employers available for pupils to speak to.  Options evening to support students with their GCSE choices	Inspired to Aspire mentoring project led by business volunteers delivering workshops over 12 weeks focusing on key employability skills and workplace behaviors.	Subject specific events with careers industry links
Year 10	Careers convention held in school with a number of FE colleges, training/ apprenticeship providers and employers available for pupils to speak to.  DWF 5 STAR Futures Programme led by DWF employees over	Future Focus Evening offers parents and Y10 pupils the opportunity to speak to post-16 providers in school and offers revision advice and support.  Personal Finance enterprise day enables year 10	College Taster sessions with Salford Colleges  Subject specific events with careers industry links  Work Experience Week

	6 months raises confidence, aspirations and work readiness among a group of 20 year 10 pupils.	pupils to improve their financial literacy skills with the support of business volunteers working in the industry.	
Year 11	<p>Careers convention held in school with a number of FE colleges, training/ apprenticeship providers and employers available for pupils to speak to.</p> <p>Colleges are invited into school to speak to students about post 16 options.</p> <p>Post 16 provider open events: 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>Post-16 interviews</p> <p>Mock Interview morning held in school with business volunteers carrying out the interviews and giving feedback.</p> <p>Personal branding sessions with Salford Foundation including interview techniques and CV writing.</p> <p>Future Focus Evening offers parents and Y11 pupils the opportunity to speak to post-16 providers in school and offers revision advice and support.</p>	

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

### **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 Center, which is managed by the school librarian. The Resource Center is available to all students at lunch and break times.