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INTRODUCTION

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

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 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 Mary Hall, Vice Principal hallm3@pingle.derbyshire.sch.uk
Mr Steve Hall, Vice Principal halls3@pingle.derbyshire.sch.uk
Telephone: 01283 216837
Email: enquiries@pingle.derbyshire.sch.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 students and/or their parents/carers:

Year 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Careers Employability year group assembly • Big Bang Fair (off site visit) • Engineering STEM event • Widening Participation Programme – degrees and apprenticeships (on site activity)
Year 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Careers Employability year group assembly • Options tasters and evening (February) • Vocational Career Event – Apprenticeships workshops • Pingle Sixth Form taster sessions
Year 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Careers Employability year group assembly • Work Experience (March) • Invitation for Derby College to talk to identified students • Mock interview/career discussion event using around 50 local business representatives • Pingle Sixth Form taster sessions
Year 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Careers Employability year group assembly • Application forms (written/online), CV writing, cover letter writing (PSHE) • Skills Show (NEC) • Invitation for Burton College representatives to talk to identified students • Pingle Sixth Form assembly and form time follow up
Year 12/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UCAS talks from local universities (Loughborough, De Montfort, Lincoln, Keele, Derby) • NCOP/HEAN – UCAS application support (POLAR1) students • DANCOP Apprenticeships (workshops) • Career Torch (Apprenticeship workshops/careers advice) • Interview practice (general jobs/universities/health care/Oxbridge)

Further information about careers and opportunities is available from Mrs M Hall, Vice Principal or Mr S Hall, Vice Principal.

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

Premises and facilities

The Academy will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms 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 for the Library/Sixth Form Study Room. These areas are available to all students before the Academy day, at break time, lunch time and after the Academy day.