



Provider Access Policy 2023/2024

Introduction

This policy statement sets out Morecambe Bay Academy'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.

Student Entitlement

Students 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 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;

A provider wishing to request access should contact;

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Opportunity for access

A number of events integrated into the school Careers & LIFE programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents/carers. The annual Careers Fair gives all providers a platform for this. Please get in touch with the Careers Co-ordinator named above if you have not received a formal invitation to this event and you would like to attend. Other events/activities that are scheduled in are outlined below.

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 7	Careers Fair	National Careers Week activities; Uni/college/apprenticeship assemblies Form time activities Taster sessions at colleges Uni visits Employer talks Work place visits	
Year 8	Careers Fair	National Careers Week activities; Uni/college/apprenticeship assemblies Form time activities Taster sessions at colleges Uni visits Employer talks Work place visits	
Year 9	Careers fair	National Careers Week activities; Uni/college/apprenticeship assemblies Form time activities Taster sessions at colleges Uni visits Employer talks Work place visits	Lunch time talks/drop in Employer talk
Year 10	Careers Fair Employability Day Mock interviews LMI session	National Careers Week activities; Uni/college/apprenticeship assemblies Form time activities Taster sessions at colleges Uni visits Employer talks Work place visits Employability Day/mock interviews	Employability Day Lunch time drop in Mock interviews Work Experience week

		Lunch time drop ins Careers Fair	
Year 11	Careers Fair Interview prep & mock interviews Lunch time talks/drop in	National Careers Week activities; Uni/college/apprenticeship assemblies Form time activities Taster sessions at colleges Uni visits Employer talks Work place visits Meet the professionals Lunch time talks/drop in Careers Fair	Lunch time talks/drop in
Year 12	Careers Fair Mentoring Work Experience	Mentoring Employability Day National Careers Week activities Work Experience Careers Fair	Mentoring Work Experience
Year 13	Careers Fair Work Experience	National Careers Week activities Work Experience Careers Fair	Work Experience

Premises and Facilities

We will make a suitable space available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make audio visual equipment available to support provider presentations. This will be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers & Work Experience Co-ordinator.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature; this will be displayed and made available for students in the Library.

Live/Virtual encounters

Morecambe Bay Academy will consider live online encounters with providers where requested, and these may be broadcast into classrooms or the school assembly hall.

Parents and Carers

Parental involvement is encouraged, and parents may be invited to attend the events to meet the providers.

Complaints Procedure

Any complaints about this policy should be raised to Miss H. Thornton.

Monitoring review and evaluation

The Policy is monitored and evaluated annually.

Policy Coordinator: Miss H. Thornton

Next Review: Sept 2024