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CAREERS PROVIDER ACCESS STATEMENT



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1.0 AIMS

1.1 This policy statement aims to set out our school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students for the purpose of giving them information about their offer. It sets out:

- Procedures in relation to requests for access
- The grounds for granting and refusing requests for access
- Details of premises or facilities to be provided to a person who is given access

2.0 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

2.1 Schools are required to ensure that there is an opportunity for a range of education and training providers to access students in years 8 to 11 for the purposes of informing them about approved technical education, qualifications or apprenticeships.

2.2 Schools must provide a minimum of 6 encounters with technical education or training providers to all pupils in years 8 to 11 (see more detail in section 2.6 below).

2.3 Schools must also have a policy statement that outlines the circumstances in which education and training providers will be given access to these students.

2.4 This is outlined in section 42B of the [Education Act 1997](#), the [Skills and Post-16 Act 2022](#) and on page 43 of guidance from the Department for Education (DfE) on [careers guidance and access for education and training providers](#).

2.5 This policy shows how our school complies with these requirements.

2.6 The 4 encounters schools must offer to all pupils in years 8 to 11:

- 2 encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (year 8 or 9)
 - All pupils must attend
 - Encounters can take place any time during year 8, and between 1 September and 28 February during year 9
- 2 encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (year 10 or 11)
 - All pupils must attend
 - Encounters can take place any time during year 10, and between 1 September and 28 February during year 11

These encounters must happen for a reasonable period of time during the standard school day. Schools can continue to provide complementary experiences but encounters outside of school hours won't count towards these requirements.

Schools must ask each provider to provide the following information as a minimum:

- Information about the provider and the approved qualifications or apprenticeships they offer
- Information about what careers those qualifications and apprenticeships can lead to
- What learning or training with the provider is like
- Answers to any questions from pupils

- At Carr Hill High School Y8 / Y9 / Y10 take part in workshops with CV writing workshops with technical provider through the ASK team and Lancashire Forum. Year 8 take part in the STEM roadshow. 2025 STEM roadshow delivered by BAE, Royal Navy and the RAF. Carr Hill High School also offers live online encounters with providers where requested, and these may be broadcast into classrooms or the school assembly hall.

2.7 Meaningful provider encounters

Our school is committed to providing meaningful encounters to all pupils.

1 encounter is defined as 1 meeting/session between pupils and 1 provider.

Carr Hill High School also offers live online encounters with providers where requested, and these may be broadcast into classrooms or the school assembly hall.

3.0 STUDENT ENTITLEMENT

3.1 All students in years 8 to 11 at Carr Hill High School are entitled to:

- Find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities as part of our careers programme, which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships, e.g. through activities and events such as options events, assemblies, taster events and the National Careers Week
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses

4.0 MANAGEMENT OF PROVIDER ACCESS REQUESTS

4.1 Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Nick Beale, Careers Lead.

Telephone: 01172 682008

Email: nbeale@carrhill-ept.com

4.2 Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into our careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers:

	AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM
YEAR 8	<p>Event at local University</p> <p>Understanding careers, LMI and future aspirations</p> <p>Identifying learning strengths and setting goals as part of the GCSE options process</p>	<p>The STEM roadshow. 2025 STEM roadshow delivered by BAE, Royal Navy and the RAF. Carr Hill High School also offers live online encounters with providers where requested, and these may be broadcast into classrooms or the school assembly hall.</p> <p>PSHCE Content</p> <p>Start Profile</p> <p>Jobs for the Future presentation</p> <p>STEP into the NHS Day 2025</p> <p>Science Made Simple X-TRA Factor STEM Roadshow</p>	<p>Meeting with Careers Advisor – Career Atlas</p> <p>Careers workshop</p> <p>TeenTech Lancashire 2025, Edge Hill University</p>
YEAR 9	<p>PSHE Content</p> <p>Careers focus</p> <p>Understanding careers and future aspirations – Job seeking Workshop</p> <p>Career Atlas ‘options at 14’</p> <p>Creative Careers workshop</p> <p>LMI -Jobs of the Future</p> <p>Employability skills</p> <p>Start Profile Careers</p> <p>How to write an effective CV</p>	<p>Parliamentary Outreach Presentation</p> <p>Options workshops in PSHCE – Directions</p> <p>STEP into the NHS Day 2025</p> <p>BAE Systems Early careers presentation</p> <p>MES Evening / Careers Fair</p>	<p>PSHE Content: The Environment Agency ‘Growing Careers for positive Change’</p> <p>Meeting with Careers Advisor – Career Atlas</p> <p>TeenTech Lancashire 2025, Edge Hill University</p>

	AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM
	<p>GCSE options process</p> <p>Directions 2024 (mentor time)</p> <p>Aspirations assembly</p>		
YEAR 10	<p>PSHE Content</p> <p>Aspirations assembly</p> <p>Post 16 technical education options assemblies with FE colleges and Future U</p>	<p>NCW week assemblies</p> <p>Introduction to Apprenticeships: The ASK Programme</p> <p>Meeting with Careers Advisor – Career Atlas</p> <p>Careers and Cyber Security Festival and Careers Fair Blackpool Sixth Form</p> <p>STEP into the NHS Day 2025</p> <p>MES Evening / Careers Fair</p>	<p>Technical/vocational tasters at local FE colleges/training providers</p> <p>Self-placement work experience opportunities</p> <p>CV Building Workshop with colleges and Future U</p>
YEAR 11	<p>Post-16 Provider Open Evenings</p> <p>Post16 apprenticeships assemblies</p> <p>1 to 1 Careers meeting</p> <p>Post 16 Applications</p> <p>Mentor Time Careers Sessions</p> <p>Aspirations assembly</p> <p>Mock Interviews with local providers</p>	<p>Post 16 Interview College / Sixth Form Interviews</p> <p>Apprenticeship application support from Lancashire Forum/ ASK team</p> <p>Application support from Atlas Careers</p> <p>PSHE Content: The Environment Agency ‘Growing Careers for positive Change’ Making a difference</p> <p>Support with BAE Application process</p> <p>BAE Early Careers Apprenticeships Assembly</p>	<p>Confirmation of post-16 education and training destinations for all pupils</p> <p>Support for NEET/LAC</p>

Please speak to our Careers Lead, Mr Beale to identify the most suitable opportunity for you. These events will run in line with any measures related to public health incidents, including COVID-19.

4.3 Granting and refusing access

We have a full and open access to our pupils for careers access, please contact Mr Beale for assistance with mock interviews, assemblies or other careers events.

4.4 Safeguarding

Our safeguarding/child protection policy outlines the school's procedure for checking the identity and suitability of visitors.

Education and training providers will be expected to adhere to this policy.

4.5 Premises and facilities

Wherever possible providers will be able to access:

- Computers
- Screens
- Rooming facilities
- Providers are welcome to leave prospectuses and other materials for students to read. These will be distributed throughout our Hub and Careers Office.

5.0 PREVIOUS PROVIDERS

5.1 In previous years we have invited the following providers from the local area to speak to our pupils:

BAE Air Systems

BAE Submarine Systems

Blackpool and Fylde College

Myerscough College

Blackpool Sixth Form

Cardinal Newman College

University of Lancaster

University of Central Lancashire

Edge Hill University

Cambridge University

Foxes Biscuits

Royal Navy

Keepak

Future U

Leyland Trucks

RAF

Eric Wright

Westinghouse

STEM First

NHS

Lancashire Teaching Hospitals

Lancashire Police

NCS

Department Works & Pensions

HM Forces

6.0 PUPIL DESTINATIONS

6.1 Last year, our year 11 pupils moved to a range of providers in the local area after school:

Blackpool and Fylde College

Preston College

Cardinal Newman College

Blackpool and Fylde College

Myerscough College

Skills Construction Centre

Blackpool Sixth Form

7.0 COMPLAINTS

7.1 Any complaints related to provider access can be raised following the school complaints procedure. See school website: <https://carrhillschool.com/policies/>

8.0 LINKS TO OTHER POLICIES

8.1 All policies can be accessed via our policies page on our website:
<https://carrhillschool.com/policies/>

9.0 MONITORING ARRANGEMENTS

9.1 The school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students are monitored by Nick Beale, Careers Leader.

9.2 This policy will be reviewed by Nick Beale, annually.

9.3 At every review, the policy will be adopted by the Governing Board.