



## **PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY (BAKER CLAUSE)**

Committee:	<b>Governing Body</b>
Author:	<b>Leslie Gadogbe</b>
Last reviewed:	<b>November 2023</b>
Review cycle:	<b>Annual</b>
Required to publish on website?	<b>Yes</b>
Statutory:	<b>Yes</b>

### **INTRODUCTION**

The St Marylebone CE Bridge School continues working towards achieving the 8 Gatsby Benchmarks, and will use them to plan our CEIAG (Careers, Education, Information, Advice and Guidance) programme. In line with our Church of England ethos the School works to ensure that all pupils have access to suitable education and training opportunities when they leave. As part of our commitment to informing students of the full range of employment, learning and training pathways on offer to them we are happy to consider requests from training, apprenticeship and vocational education providers. We aim to build strong partnerships between our School and different types of training providers.

This policy statement sets out the School's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students 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 and responds to the Provider Access Legislation which came into force in January 2023.

### **STUDENT ENTITLEMENT**

All students in Years 7-11 are entitled:

- To find out about technical education qualifications, T levels 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 and have meaningful encounters with a range of local technical education and apprenticeship providers about the opportunities they offer, including

technical education, work experience and apprenticeships – through assemblies, group discussions, career and post 16 fairs, workshops, personal careers guidance, Enterprise week and taster events;

- To understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

The updated Provider Access Legislation (January 2023) specifies schools must provide at least six encounters with approved providers of apprenticeships and technical education for all their students:

- Two encounters for pupils during the ‘first key phase’ (Year 8 or 9) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend.
- Two encounters for pupils during the ‘second key phase’ (Year 10 or 11) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend.

### **MANAGEMENT OF PROVIDER ACCESS REQUESTS**

Providers of Technical Education and Apprenticeships, other education or Employers/ organisations wishing to request access should contact Mr Leslie Gadogbe, Careers Lead:

- Telephone: 020 3693 4752
- Email: [l.gadogbe@stmarylebonebridgeschool.com](mailto:l.gadogbe@stmarylebonebridgeschool.com)

It is also helpful to copy in Head of KS4/Transition lead:  
k.hunter@stmarylebonebridgeschool.com

### **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 students (and/or their parents/carers):

Autumn Term	Term 1	Careers Assembly Careers workshops Transition lessons
	Term 2	Careers Assembly Enterprise week Green Careers Week Creative Industries Week Transition lessons College and transitions workshop

Spring Term	Term 3	Careers Assembly Careers workshops Transition lessons Apprenticeship Week College and transitions workshop Interview skills Voluntary work
	Term 4	Careers Assembly Careers workshops Transition lessons College and transitions workshop Personal Guidance Voluntary work National Careers Week British Science (STEM Careers Week)
Summer Term	Term 5	Careers Assembly Careers workshops College and transitions workshop Voluntary work
	Term 6	Careers Assembly College and transitions workshop Voluntary work Work Experience (Year 11)

Please speak to our Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunities.

Providers are required to send any material to be used in advance and to have a discussion with the Careers Leader or a member of their team before visiting to ensure that all content is suitable for our students. Providers may be denied access if they do not work with the School to meet the students' needs.

### **PREMISES AND FACILITIES**

The School will make classrooms, sports hall, private meeting rooms and outdoor space available for discussions and workshops 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 and content. 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 School.

### **THE SCHOOL'S POLICY ON SAFEGUARDING**

The St Marylebone CE Bridge School's Safeguarding and Child Protection policy can be found on the school website [here](#).

### **OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS OR POLICIES**

- Careers guidance and access for education and training providers: statutory guidance for governing bodies, school leaders and school staff (DfE, 2023)
- Department's white paper, 'Skills for Jobs: Lifelong Learning for Opportunity and Growth'
- The Skills and Post-16 Act 2022
- Provider Access Legislation 2023