

## **PROVIDER ACCESS STATEMENT (North Cambridge Academy)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

This policy statement sets out the North Cambridge Academy arrangements for managing the access of providers to 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 7 to 11 are entitled:

- To find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship 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.

For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for year 8 to 9 pupils and two encounters for year 10 to 11 pupils.

These provider encounters will be scheduled during the main school hours and the provider will be given a reasonable amount of time to, as a minimum:

- Share information about both the provider and the approved technical education qualification and apprenticeships that the provider offers
- Explain what career routes those options could lead to
- Provide insights into what it might be like to learn or train with that provider (including the opportunity to meet staff and pupils from the provider)
- Answer questions from pupils.



## MEANINGFUL PROVIDER ENCOUNTERS

One encounter is defined as one meeting/session between pupils and one provider. We are committed to providing meaningful encounters to all pupils using the [Making it Meaningful](#) checklist.

### PREVIOUS PROVIDERS

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

- Anglia Ruskin University
- Cambridge University
- Cambridge Regional College (FE College and apprenticeship provider) Comberton Sixth Form (FE College)
- Hills Road sixth form (FE College)
- Long Road sixth form college (FE college)
- Northstowe 6<sup>th</sup> Form
- Cambridge Science and Technology College (FE College) Impington international college (FE College)
- The Oakes (FE College) Parkside sixth Form (FE College)
- Impington International College
- College of West Anglia (FE College and Apprenticeship provider) Chesterton sixth Form (FE College)
- Cambridge Maths School (FE college) Girton College (University)
- Costello Medical
- Army careers (Apprenticeship provider)
- Addenbrookes / NHS

### DESTINATIONS OF OUR PUPILS

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

- Hills Road Sixth Form College
- Long Road Sixth Form College
- Chesterton Sixth Form
- Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
- Comberton Village College
- College of West Anglia
- Oakes Academy
- Impington International School
- Northstowe 6<sup>th</sup> form
- Cambridge Regional College
- Stephen Perse Sixth Form
- Springboard (Boarding programme)
- Apprenticeship
- Traineeship
- Other

### MANAGEMENT OF PROVIDER ACCESS REQUESTS PROCEDURE

A provider wishing to request access should contact Miss H Kruse on [hkruse@northcambridgeacademy.org](mailto:hkruse@northcambridgeacademy.org)

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACCESS

### FOUR ENCOUNTERS YEAR 8 – YEAR 11

The school offers the four provider encounters required by law (marked in bold text in the table below) and a number of additional events, integrated into the school careers programme.

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

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
<b>Year 7/8</b>	Anglia Ruskin University Visit	What's my line? Event run by Form the future on flatpack day (all students will hear from 6 different professionals) Guidance meetings linked to KS4 choices  Hill Group and ARU day on flatpack day.	Careers Carousel – Event run by Form the Future which includes a minimum of 6 employees from different companies.
<b>Year 9</b>	Enterprise Day – Day run by Form the Future and representatives from 5 providers  University visit – select students.	Careers breakfasts (open to all)  Assemblies form Cambridge Regional College and College of West Anglia  The Big Live Assembly - Apprenticeships	Careers breakfasts (open to all)  RAF or Army Careers
<b>Year 10</b>	Work experience launch assembly led by Form the Future.	Assemblies form Cambridge Regional College and College of West Anglia  The Big Live Assembly - Apprenticeships  Apprenticeships Talks with Form the Future and 4 Providers.  Apprenticeships Fair Visit	Life Skills – work experience preparation sessions, with face to face workshops on health and safety, work behaviour and interview skills.  Targeted 1:1 careers guidance
<b>Year 11</b>	Post 16 Options evenings & Apprenticeship workshop  MyChoice@16 application process  Hills Road Visit  Northstowe Assembly  1:1 careers guidance	Post 16 taster sessions and interviews.  CRC Assembly  Targeted 1:1 apprenticeship guidance	<i>No encounters – legislation requires encounters to take place by 28 February if in year 11.</i>  Confirmation of post-16 education and training destinations for all pupils.

## **PREMISES AND FACILITIES**

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and pupils, 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. Meaningful online engagement is also an option and we are open to providers that are able to provide live online engagement with our pupils. Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature, which will be accessible to pupils.

## **COMPLAINTS**

Any complaints with regards to provider access can be raised through the Meridian Trust complaints procedure.

## **APPROVAL AND REVIEW**

Approved by the school's Academy Council, reviewed every 2 years or at the point of new legislation.

Next review: 1st January 2027