# BLUE COAT CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL AND MUSIC COLLEGE



# **PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY**

Written: July 2020

Policy Duration: 1 year

### Provider Access Policy: Technical Education and Apprenticeships

#### Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at the school for the purposes of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer with regard to technical education or apprenticeships. This complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997, as amended by the Technical and Further Education Act 2017.

#### **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.
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships.
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

The School will assess the impact of its careers programmes on students by completing an annual student survey and analysing destinations data in line with activities that they have taken part in at school. In addition, the views of students and parents will be surveyed after key events e.g. the Careers Fair, Work Experience, Specific 'Drop Down Days' throughout the year.

#### Management of provider access requests

#### a) Procedure

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Any provider wishing to request access should contact the following members of staff:

*Governor linked to the Careers Provision:* This is covered under the Governors Curriculum & Standards Sub Committee, which is chaired by Mr Mark Gore.

#### b) Opportunities for access

A number of events are integrated into the school careers programme, which would potentially offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents. The school calendar varies from year to year so providers need to contact the member of staff named above to identify the most suitable opportunity. The events are usually arranged well in advance so it is essential that providers contact us early in the academic year to be involved in our planning.

Access to students and/or parents will be granted on the understanding that information and guidance offered by providers is related to technical courses and apprenticeship opportunities only. Providers

will be expected to meet the school's safeguarding requirements, which can be found in the Safeguarding Policy Statement accessible on the school website.

# c) Premises and facilities

Access to appropriate rooms and facilities will be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit. Providers are welcome to provide relevant brochures and other printed material specifically related to technical courses and apprenticeships; these will be made available to students in Careers section of the school Library.

# Approval and review

Approval Headteacher:

V. Shallay

Victoria Shelley 20 July 2020

Next Review: July 2021