

Priory Policy Statement on Provider Access

The Priory Witham Academy: Provider

Access Policy Introduction

This policy statement sets out the academy's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the academy for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the academy's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Our academy is part of The Priory Federation of Academies Trust.

- The Trust's mission is to improve the life chances of its pupils to enable them to become true citizens of the world.
- The Trust values the achievement of excellence through the development of: knowledge, curiosity, generosity, courage and passion.

The academy works with partner providers who share its mission and values and who can demonstrate that they have the appropriate capacity and support systems in place for our pupils.

Our academy has its own careers programme, using impartial advice that supports students in developing a wider appreciation of the opportunities for progression.

Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 8 to 13 are entitled:

- to find out about apprenticeship opportunities and technical education qualifications, 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 apprenticeships and technical education – 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.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Denise Clarke, Secondary Headteacher by email at dclarke@prioryacademies.co.uk or by contacting the Academy on 01522 882900.

Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the academy careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into the academy to speak to pupils or their parents or carers:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	<p>Through the Academy PSHE programme and the Witham Values Programme, an overview of post 14 options for students to include: GCSEs, Applied General Qualifications (L2 BTECs), Technical and vocational qualifications.</p> <p>Through Construction Week – the opportunity to engage with local businesses.</p>	<p>Academy Careers and HE Fayre : Employer event for students. A market stall event giving overview of local, regional and national opportunities and skills requirements</p> <p>Through National Careers Week, an opportunity to access and engage with the latest news, blogs and resources linked to Careers Guidance</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor.</p>	<p>My Money Week – opportunities to engage with finance based employers eg Santander</p> <p>Through the Witham Values Week an opportunity to engage with taster opportunities for local colleges and training providers.</p> <p>As part of Witham Values Week – access to the Greater Lincolnshire Online Careers Fair</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor.</p> <p>Through Parent Progress and Information Evenings an opportunity for parents to include an overview and discussion regarding post 16 opportunities as above.</p>
Year 9	<p>Through the Academy PSHE programme and the Witham Values Programme, an overview of post 14 options for students to include: GCSEs, Applied General Qualifications (L2 BTECs), Technical and vocational qualifications.</p> <p>Through Lincs Higher First Steps Programme : Introduction to Higher Education</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor.</p>	<p>Academy Careers and HE Fayre : Employer event for students. A market stall event giving overview of local, regional and national opportunities and skills requirements</p> <p>Through assemblies, opportunities to engage with Priory Apprenticeships to explore skills and opportunities within the apprenticeship pathway.</p> <p>Through assemblies and student / parental Options Evening an</p>	<p>My Money Week – opportunities to engage with finance based employers eg Santander</p> <p>Through the Witham Values Week an opportunity to engage with taster opportunities for local colleges and training providers.</p> <p>As part of Witham Values Week – access to the Greater Lincolnshire Online Careers Fair</p> <p>Meetings with Academy</p>

		<p>opportunity to discuss the range of options open to students at the end of Year 9.</p> <p>Through National Careers Week, an opportunity to access and engage with the latest news, blogs and resources linked to Careers Guidance</p> <p>Through Lincs Higher First Steps Programme : Budgeting, student life and decision making including BGU Campus Visit</p> <p>Through Parent Progress and Information Evenings an opportunity for parents to include an overview and discussion regarding post 16 opportunities as above.</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor.</p>	Careers Advisor.
Year 10	<p>Through the Academy PSHE programme and the Witham Values Programme, an opportunity to explore post 16 options for students to include: A levels, Applied General Qualifications, Technical and vocational qualifications, apprenticeships, traineeships and supported internships</p> <p>Through Tutor Time and the Witham Values Programme - Life Skills – work experience preparation sessions</p> <p>Through Construction</p>	<p>Technical/vocational tasters with local training providers including YMCA and Abbey Access.</p> <p>Academy Careers and HE Fayre : Employer event for students. A market stall event giving overview of local, regional and national opportunities and skills requirements.</p> <p>Through National Careers Week, an opportunity to access and engage with the latest news, blogs and resources linked to Careers Guidance</p>	<p>My Money Week – opportunities to engage with finance based employers eg Santander</p> <p>As part of Witham Values Week – access to the Greater Lincolnshire Online Careers Fair</p> <p>Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities.</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor – focus on post 16 destinations including Sixth Form, local colleges and specialist education providers, apprenticeships, employment and training.</p>

	<p>Week – the opportunity to engage with local businesses.</p> <p>Through Parent Progress and Information Evenings an opportunity for parents to include an overview and discussion regarding post 16 opportunities as above.</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor</p>	<p>Through assemblies, opportunities to engage with Priory Apprenticeships to explore skills and opportunities within the apprenticeship pathway.</p> <p>Through Lincs Higher Programme : Sessions on note taking, critical thinking and time management –campus visit to BGU</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor.</p>	
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<p>Year 11</p>	<p>Through the Academy PSHE programme and the Witham Values Programme, an opportunity to explore post 16 options for students to include: A levels, Applied General Qualifications, Technical and vocational qualifications, apprenticeships, traineeships and supported internships</p> <p>Post 16 provider open evenings: opportunities to visit local Further Education and sixth form colleges, other school UTCs, Studio schools and other training providers regarding A level, Applied General, technical and vocational and apprenticeships.</p> <p>Through Lincs Higher : Research skills, transferable skills and presentation skills, campus visit to BGU</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor – focus on post 16 destinations including Sixth Form, local colleges and specialist education providers, apprenticeships, employment and training.</p> <p>Through form times and Witham Values Days - Year 11 Destinations – research and preparation</p>	<p>Academy Careers and HE Fayre : Employer event for students. A market stall event giving overview of local, regional and national opportunities and skills requirements</p> <p>Through National Careers Week, an opportunity to access and engage with the latest news, blogs and resources linked to Careers Guidance</p> <p>Through assemblies, opportunities to engage with Priory Apprenticeships to explore skills and opportunities within the apprenticeship pathway.</p> <p>Through Parent Progress and Information Evenings an opportunity for parents to include an overview and discussion regarding post 16 opportunities as above.</p> <p>Year 11 Destination Interviews</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor – focus on post 16 destinations including Sixth Form, local colleges and specialist education providers, apprenticeships, employment and training.</p>	<p>My Money Week – opportunities to engage with finance based employers eg Santander</p> <p>As part of Witham Values Week – access to the Greater Lincolnshire Online Careers Fair</p> <p>Confirmation of post 16 education destinations for all students</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor – focus on post 16 destinations including Sixth Form, local colleges and specialist education providers, apprenticeships, employment and training.</p>
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<p>Year 12</p>	<p>Opportunities to engage with Careers Events from a variety of training and employment providers including NHS, Armed Forces</p> <p>Post-18 assembly – higher and degree apprenticeships</p>	<p>Academy Careers and HE Fayre : Employer event for students. A market stall event giving overview of local, regional and national opportunities and skills requirements</p> <p>Through National Careers Week, an opportunity to access and engage with the latest news, blogs and resources linked to Careers Guidance</p> <p>Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options</p> <p>Through Parent Progress and Information Evenings an opportunity for parents to include an overview and discussion regarding post 16 opportunities as above.</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor.</p>	<p>Small group sessions: future education, training and employment options</p> <p>HE Visits – an opportunity to visit a range of HE providers to consider post 18 opportunities.</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor – focus on post 18 destinations including UCAS, apprenticeships, employment and training</p>
<p>Year 13</p>	<p>Workshops – HE and higher apprenticeship applications</p> <p>Meetings with Academy Careers Advisor – focus on post 18 destinations including UCAS, apprenticeships, employment and training</p>	<p>Meetings with Mrs K Weightman, Academy Careers Advisor – focus on post 18 destinations including UCAS, apprenticeships, employment and training</p> <p>Through Parent Progress and Information Evenings an opportunity for parents to include an overview and discussion regarding post 16 opportunities as above.</p> <p>Through National Careers Week, an opportunity to access and engage with the latest news, blogs and resources linked to Careers Guidance</p>	<p>Confirmation of post 18 education destinations for all students</p>

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

Premises and facilities

The academy will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The academy 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.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with Mrs K Weightman, the Academy Careers Advisor who manages the Careers Resource Centre. The Careers Resource Centre is available to all students at lunch and break times.

Approval and review

Approved *[date]* by Trustees at Education and Standards Committee

Next review: *[date]*

Signed: *[name]* Chair of Trust E & S Committee

Signed: *[name]* Head teacher