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 to 13 are entitled to:

a. 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.

b. hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships.

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

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

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

Mr Graham Oxborrow, Assistant Headteacher
Telephone 01799 513030 or Email info@swchs.net

Opportunities for access

A number of events are integrated into the school careers programme, which would potentially offer providers an opportunity to speak directly to students and/or their parents. Some of these are organised jointly with other secondary schools within Uttlesford District.

The school calendar varies from year to year so providers will 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 in order 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 on the school website.

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 the careers section of the Learning and Resource Centre.

This policy links to:
- SWCHS CEIAG policy
- SWCHS Safeguarding policy

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