

## Policy Statement – Provider Access Legislation

### Bishop Milner Catholic Academy: Provider Access Policy

#### **Introduction**

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to the school for the purpose of giving them information about provider's education or training offer. This complies with the school's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1977.

#### **Pupil Entitlement**

**All pupils in Years 8 to 13 are entitled:**

- **To find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeships, as part of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training opportunities available at each transition point.**
- **To hear from a range of local providers about the opportunity they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options events, assemblies and group discussions and taster events.**
- **To understand how to make applications for a 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 pupils during the 'first key stage' (KS3 - Years 8 & 9) and two encounters for pupils during the 'second key stage' (KS4 – Years 10 & 11). For pupils in the 'third key stage' (KS5 – Year 12 & 13), particularly those that have not yet decided on their next steps, there are two more provider encounters available during this period, which are optional for pupils to attend.**

**These provider encounters will be scheduled during main school hours and the provider will be given 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 providers).
- Answer qualifications from pupil.

#### **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.

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

The following providers have been invited from the local area to speak to our pupils:

- PWC
- 4 Schools
- Dudley College of Technology
- KPMG
- Grant Thornton
- Juniper Training
- Nova Training
- Sandwell College
- RAF
- The Army
- The Royal Marines.
- The Civil Service
- Skills training UK

## Destinations of our pupils

Last year our Year 11 and 13 pupils moved to a range of providers in the local area post 16 and 18.

### Destinations 2021 – 2022

Destination 1	Number pupils	%
External sixth Form	20	13%
Apprenticeship	3	2%
Bishop Milner Sixth Form	59	38%
Alternative College	70	45%
Forces	2	1%
Football Scholarship	1	1%
Grand Total	155	100.00

### Destinations 2020 – 2021

Bishop Milner	59	39%
Alternative Provision	1	1%
Alternative	3	2%
Apprenticeship	1	1%
College	84	56%
RAF	1	1%
Grand Total	149	100%

## Destinations 2019 – 2020

<b>Access creative college</b>	1	1%
<b>Apprenticeship</b>	2	2%
<b>Aston Manor Academy</b>	1	1%
<b>Bishop Milner</b>	27	20%
<b>BOA</b>	1	1%
<b>Dudley 6th</b>	27	20%
<b>Dudley College</b>	43	32%
<b>Employment with training</b>	1	1%
<b>Halesowen College</b>	6	4%
<b>Joseph Chamberlin</b>	1	1%
<b>King Eds</b>	15	11%
<b>King Eds five ways</b>	1	1%
<b>Rodbaston College</b>	1	1%
<b>Sandwell 6th</b>	1	1%
<b>UCB</b>	1	1%
<b>Wolverhampton College</b>	1	1%
<b>Wolverhampton Girls High school</b>	1	1%
<b>Grand Total</b>	131	100%

### Management of provider access request procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Sarah Wilkins, Head of careers for the St John Bosco Academy Trust. Email: [swilkins@sjbca.co.uk](mailto:swilkins@sjbca.co.uk)

### Opportunities for access

The school offers the four provider encounters required by law and a number of additional events, integrated into the school careers programme. We will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils or their parents or carers.

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