

Provider Access Policy Statement

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1. Aims

This policy statement aims to set out our school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students for the purpose of giving them information about their offer.

It sets out:

- Procedures in relation to requests for access
- The grounds for granting and refusing requests for access
- Details of premises or facilities to be provided to a person who is given access

2. Statutory requirements

Schools are required to ensure that there is an opportunity for a range of education and training providers to access students in years 8 to 13 for the purposes of informing them about approved technical education, qualifications or apprenticeships.

Schools must also have a policy statement that outlines the circumstances in which education and training providers will be given access to these students.

This is outlined in section 42B of the [Education Act 1997](#).

This policy shows how our school complies with these requirements.

3. Student entitlement

All students in years 8 to 13 at Bettridge School are entitled to:

- Find out about appropriate pathways towards technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of our careers programme which provides information on the full range of appropriate education and training options available at each transition point
- Hear from a range of appropriate local providers about the opportunities they offer, including, where appropriate, technical education and apprenticeships

- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses

4. Management of provider access requests

4.1 Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Dale Hills, Deputy Headteacher.

Telephone: [01242 514934](tel:01242514934)

Email: admin@bettridge.gloucs.sch.uk

4.2 Opportunities for access

Bettridge School believes transition planning should be individualised to meet the specific needs of all of our learners. Therefore transition planning is part of the EHCP review process and it may be appropriate for providers to attend these meetings. A number of events, integrated into our careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers:

External events:

Key Stage 3&4: Where's Next event hosted by Milestone school (spring)

Key Stage 5: Where's next event hosted in rotation by Gloucestershire Special Schools

4.3 Granting and refusing access

Bettridge School works closely with the Gloucestershire Local Education Authority and follows their policies and procedures for the transition of learners post 16 and post 19. As a result there may be occasions when it is not appropriate for a provider to be granted access to learners at school. In this situation parties involved should contact the school for further advice.

4.4 Safeguarding

Our safeguarding/child protection policy outlines the school's procedure for checking the identity and suitability of visitors.

Education and training providers will be expected to adhere to this policy.

4.5 Premises and facilities

Where access has been granted the school will provide appropriate facilities for the meeting to take place. If appropriate the school may supply a member of staff to aid in communication and help facilitate the meeting.

5. Links to other policies

- [Safeguarding/child protection policy](#)

6. Monitoring arrangements

The school's arrangements for managing the access of education and training providers to students is monitored by [Dale Hills](#).