

Provider Access Policy Statement

Under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997, as of 2 January 2018, we have a duty to provide pupils in Years 8-13 with access to providers of post-14, post-16 and post-18 education and training. This policy statement sets out how we manage access requests from these providers.

What are pupils entitled to?

Pupils must be allowed to:

- Learn more about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of a careers programme which informs pupils of the full range of education and training options available to them at each transition point.
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities on offer, e.g., technical education and apprenticeships – this can be achieved through options evenings, assemblies, group discussions, and taster events.
- Understand how to apply to the full range of academic and technical courses available to them.

Who handles our access requests?

Any provider wishing to request access should contact our careers leader on 0208 508 0404 or via email on: reception@davenant.org.

What opportunities are provided to allow access to pupils?

Via our school careers programme, we offer providers numerous opportunities throughout the school year to speak to pupils and/or their parents. Our annual schedule of events is as follows:

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Year 8	Careers Week Assembly And Life Skills Programme	Careers Week Assembly and Life Skills Programme Careers Fest	Careers Week Assembly and Life Skills Programme
Year 9	Careers Week Assembly Life Skills Programme	Careers Week Assembly and Life Skills Programme KS4 Options Choices Evening Careers Fest	Careers Week Assembly and Life Skills Programme Motivational Conference
Year 10	Careers Week Assembly and Life Skills Programme	Careers Week Assembly and Life Skills Programme Careers Fest	Careers Week Assembly and Life Skills Programme Motivational Conference
Year 11	Careers Week Assembly and Life Skills Programme	Careers Week Assembly and Life Skills Programme Careers Fest	
Year 12	Careers Week Assembly and Tutorial Programme	Careers Week Assembly and Tutorial Programme Careers Fest Post-18 Options Evening	Careers Week Assembly and Tutorial Programme Careers Enrichment Programme
Year 13	Careers Week Assembly and Tutorial Programme	Careers Week Assembly and Tutorial Programme Careers Fest	

Who should providers contact to discuss events and options?

Providers can speak to our careers leader, to discuss possible attendance at relevant events.

Our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy and Guest Speaker Policy set out the school's approach to allowing providers into school to speak to our pupils.

What are the rules for granting and refusing access requests?

We welcome organisations talking to our students and will consider all requests. We will grant access requests from providers who meet the policy as outlined above. Failure to provide requested evidence of meeting the policy requirements will result in the request being denied

What can providers expect once a request has been accepted?

Once we have approved a provider, we will work with them to identify the best method for providing access to our pupils.

We will make the school hall, classrooms and private meeting rooms available to host discussions between providers and pupils. We will also make presentation equipment, such as projectors and televisions, available to providers.

Arrangements will be discussed in advance between our careers leader and a nominated member of the provider's team.

Can providers leave prospectuses for pupils to read?

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus and other relevant course literature with the school librarian at the school library.

Approval and review

This policy statement was approved by the governing board's curriculum and standards committee on **26.06.2018**.

The next review will take place on **06.2020**.

Signed: _____ **Chair of governors**

Signed: _____ **Headteacher**