Provider Access Policy Statement

Introduction

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

Student Entitlement

All students are entitled:

- To find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeships opportunities, 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 technical education and apprenticeships – through focused events including career fairs/activities, provider visits, 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:

Sarah Thompson, Careers and Engagement Manager
Email: S.Thompson1@blc.ac.uk
Telephone: 01298 330443

Opportunities for access

Several events, integrated into the college's careers programme offer providers an opportunity to come into College to speak to students or parents. These include our Guest Speakers Programme, work experience activities, Apprenticeship ICS Programme events, National Apprenticeship Week (employer talks/workshops), mock assessment

centres, Alter Higher progression parent's seminar, Futures You Week, our World of Work programme, and World of Work Programme and Careers Fair.

Please speak to our Careers and Engagement Manager to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Premises and facilities

The College will make classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The College will also seek to make available any equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers and Engagement or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant literature at reception to be placed in the Careers Library which is available to all students throughout the College day.