

## Great Academy Ashton: Fair Access Policy

### Introduction

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

### Pupil entitlement

All students in years 7-11 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, regional and national providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options events, assemblies and 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 *Mrs S. Gould or Mrs L. Gilmore*, from the *Careers Team*. Telephone: 0161 241 9555; Email: [careers@gaa.org.uk](mailto:careers@gaa.org.uk)

### Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers, below is an outline:

Year Group	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
7	Assemblies Drop down activity days	Assemblies Drop down activity days	Assemblies Drop down activity days
8	Assemblies Drop down activity days	National Careers Week	Assemblies Drop down activity days
9	Assemblies Drop down activity days GAA Careers Fair	National Careers Week Parents Options Evening	Assemblies Drop down activity days
10	GAA Careers Fair Post 16 Provider Assemblies Drop down activity days	National Careers Week Post 16 Provider Assemblies	Assemblies Drop down activity days
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**Premises and facilities**

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader, Mrs T James or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with our careers contacts, Mrs James, Mrs Gilmore or Mrs Gould. Students will then have access to the information in our Careers Office.

**Approval and review**

Approved: *June 2021*

Next review: *June 2022*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ *Ms Faye Hayes* **Chair of Governors**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ *Mr D Waugh* **Principal**

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