



PROVIDER ACCESS PROTOCOL

2024/25

Responsibility

SMT Member: **Deputy Principal: Operations**

Introduction

This policy statement sets out the college's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at the college for the purposes 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

Students in years 12 and 13 are entitled

- To find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship 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 careers webinars, Careers IMPACT sessions, group discussions and taster events.
- To understand how to make application for the full range of academic and technical courses.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Nerys Evans – Head of Careers and Careers Lead.

Telephone: 01432 355166

Email: n.evans@hereford.ac.uk

Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the college's careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into the college to speak to students and/or their parents. These are as follows:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 12 & 13	Employer lunchtime talks, eg, Armed Forces, Police, Allied Health Care, Primary Teaching.		
Careers IMPACT sessions	<p>Impact/ Bulletin to advertise apprenticeship/job vacancies, work experience & voluntary placements, HE and local college open days etc.</p> <p>Local Colleges/Sixth Forms Open Day posters.</p> <p>Webinar Apprenticeship talk for all parents</p> <p>Webinar 2nd Year Parents Talk on Options.</p>	<p>Apprenticeship and Options parents evenings.</p> <p>Study Abroad talk.</p> <p>Meet your Future Event – apprenticeship training providers, employers, voluntary organisations, local universities/colleges.</p> <p>Local training providers lunchtime talks.</p>	<p>Range of speakers from HE, employers and voluntary organisations.</p> <p>HE and Gap Year Fair</p> <p>Webinar Career Options Talk for 1st year parents.</p> <p>IMPACT week – Talks and event programme and work experience placements for first year students.</p>

Please speak to our Head of Careers to identify the most suitable opportunity for your organization.

The college's policy on safeguarding sets out the college's approach to allowing providers into college as visitors to talk to our students.

Premises and facilities

The college will ensure adequate facilities are available for discussion between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The college will also make available specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Head of Careers or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Careers Department, which is managed by the Head of Careers. The Resource Centre is available to all students throughout the college's opening hours.

