



Ravens Wood School

(Part of the Impact Multi Academy Trust)

Policy Document

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SLT Responsible:	Headteacher
Other staff:	Careers Leader and Careers Advisor

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1. Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to 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.

2. Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 8 to 13 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 options events, assemblies and group discussions and taster events;
- To understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (year 8 to 9) and two encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (year 10 to 11). For pupils in the 'third key phase' (year 12 to 13), particularly those that have not yet decided on their next steps, there are two more provider encounters available during this period, which are optional for pupils to attend.

These provider encounters will be scheduled during the main school hours and the provider will be given a reasonable amount of time to, as a minimum:

- Share information about both the provider and the approved technical education qualification and apprenticeships that the provider offers
- Explain what career routes those options could lead to
- Provide insights into what it might be like to learn or train with that provider (including the opportunity to meet staff and pupils from the provider)
- Answer questions from pupils.

3. Meaningful provider encounters

One encounter is defined as one meeting/session between pupils and one provider. We are committed to providing meaningful encounters to all pupils using the [Making it meaningful checklist](#).

Meaningful online engagement is also an option, and we are open to providers that are able to provide live online engagement with our pupils.

Previous providers

In previous terms/years we have invited the following providers from the local area to speak to our pupils:

- Education Development Trust, London South East Colleges, Bromley Education Business Partnership, North Kent College, Thackray Williams Solicitors, Network Rail, BBC, Speakers for Schools, One Bromley Cadets – Kings College Hospital, UCFB – Wembley, NatWest Bank, LDN Apprenticeships.

Destinations of our pupils

Last year our year 11 pupils moved to a range of providers in the local area after school including those highlighted below:

- **Further Education – (95.95%)** Ravens Wood Sixth Form, LSEC, North Kent College, Brit School, Bullers Wood 6th Form, The Ravensbourne School, Croydon College, Newstead Wood School 6th Form.
- **Apprenticeships – (4.05%)** Vauxhall Motors, Bridge Security, A&A Builders, Right Management Services.

Last year our year 13 pupils moved to range of providers in the local area after school including those highlighted below:

- **Higher Education – (63.35%)** Fashion Retail Academy, UCFB, Goldsmith University London, UCL, Ravensbourne University, University of Kent, University of Greenwich, London South Bank University, University of Westminster, London.
- **Further Education – (1.81%)** London Beauty College, LSEC, Le Cordon Bleu
- **Apprenticeships – (11.76%)** NHS, Morgan Stanley, Bombardier at Biggin Hill Airport, Jaguar Land Rover, AIG Insurance, Arcadia, Metro Flooring, Conway.
- **Full Time Employment – (16.29%)** Bromley MyTime, So Media, Nirvana Maintenance, Synapri Recruitment, ACG Construction, Waverton Investment.

The percentages represent the proportion of students overall going to these destination categories.

4. Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Mrs L Borley, Careers Advisor, by emailing - lbo@rws.uk.net or telephone 01689 856050.

5. Opportunities for access

The school offers the six provider encounters required by law and a number of additional events, integrated into the school careers programme. We will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils or their parents or carers.

Please speak to our Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	Event for University/ College Talk	Careers Fair	Event for College Talk Event for Apprenticeship Provider Talk
Year 9	Event for University/ College Talk	Careers Fair	No encounters - legislation requires encounters to take place by 28th Feb if in year 9
Year 10	Event for University/ College Talk	Careers Fair	Event for College Talk Event for Apprenticeship Provider Talk
Year 11	Event for University/ College Talk	Careers Fair	No encounters - legislation requires encounters to take place by 28th Feb if in year 11. Confirmation of post 16 education & training destinations for all pupils
Year 12	Event for University/ College Talk	Careers Fair UCAS Discovery Event University & Apprenticeship Fair	UCAS & Next Steps Carousel Event Event for HE provider Work Experience Programme
Year 13	Post 18 assembly - Apprenticeship provider RWS Scholars Programme Raising Achievement Evening	Careers Fair University & Apprenticeship Fair	RWS Scholars Programme