

West Park School PAL (Provider Access Legislation) Policy

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.

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 schools must offer:

- Two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (Year 8 or 9) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend, to take place
 - o any time during **Year 8,** or
 - o between 1 September and 28 February during **Year 9**.
- Two encounters for pupils during the '**second key phase'** (Year 10 or 11) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend, to take place
 - o any time during **Year 10**, or
 - o between 1 September and 28 February during **Year 11**.

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.



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 <u>Making it meaningful checklist</u>.

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:

• EMA- Training, Nottingham College, Derby College, UTC Derby, Derby University, Nottingham University and Alstom

Destinations of our pupils

Last year our year 11 pupils moved to range of providers in the local area after school:

• TBC

How is West Park School meeting the updated Baker Clause (Provider Access) legislation 2023?

West Park School has targeted individual year groups and will offer pupils the chance to explore and learn, then understand the varied vocational and technical routes available in Post-16. These are:

Weekly Apprenticeship Vacancies: By WPS downloading D2N2 vacancies, the provider opportunity is filtered to show a list of local providers in our area, supporting and promoting LMI.

EMA-Training (Derby and Nottingham) also sends weekly Technical vacancies for Year 11 pupils to explore and apply when appropriate. They contribute to West Park Schools' commitment towards PAL (Provider Access Legislation).

July	Year 8 Careers Fair	West Park School	Y8 Provider Access- Baker
Summer 2			Clause 2023
	Friday 7/7/23		careers fair is an event that gives
	8:30 to 15:00 Period 1-5		pupils and employers a chance to



		meet one another, establish professional relationships, and discuss potential future opportunities. Many employers from a variety of industries attend, and offer job profile insights, LMI and Post 16/18 information
July Summer 2	Year 10 EMA Training TBC	Y10 Provider Access- Baker Clause 2023 Routes into work - what technical apprenticeships do EMA offer and does learning look like in Post 16?

How is West Park School intending on the updated PAL (Provider Access Legislation) 2023-2024?

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October	Year 11	Y11 Provider Access- Baker	
Autumn 1	UTC Derby	Clause 2023	
		Post 16 technical and vocation	
	Thursday 12/10/23	assembly from a technical	
	13:00 to 15:00 Period 4-5	provider. UTC Derby Pride Park	
		offer specialist courses designed	
		with employers in the exciting	
		areas of Engineering and Health	
		and Life Sciences.	



December Autumn 2	Year 9 Alstom Business Insight December 2023 8:30 to 15:00 Period 1-5 300 pupils over days		Y9 Provider Access- Baker Clause 2023 Alstom Technical Employer: Routes into work. Think about GCSEs and learning routes into Alstom. What's your style of learning? What is engineering? History - Industrial Revolution STEAM Learning		300 Pupils over 10 days
February Spring 1	Year 8 National Apprenticeship Week TBC	Rewards Room or T7	Y8 Provider Access- Baker Clause 2023 National Apprenticeship Week was celebrated from 6 th - 12 th of February 2023. The theme for that year was 'Skills for Life'. National Apprenticeship Week brings together the entire apprenticeship community to celebrate everything that is amazing about apprenticeships.		
February Spring 2	Year 9 & 11 EMA Training National Apprenticeship Week		Y9 & 11 Provider Access- Baker Clause 2023Y9: Linking GCSEs and Technical and Vocational pathways - myth busting.Y11: Apprenticeship recruitment processes and the technical apprenticeship opportunities available in Pot-16.		
July Summer 2	Year 10 Derby College TBC 11:30 to 15:00 Period 3-5	West Park School Main Hall	Y10 Provider Access- Baker Clause 2023 Post 16 technical education options assembly with General Further Education College	Main Hall: in smaller groups for impact.	



July	Year 10	West Park School	Y10 Provider Access- Baker	Main Hall: in smaller
Summer 2	Nottingham College	Main Hall	Clause 2023	groups for impact.
	TBC 11:30 to 15:00 Period 3-5		Post 16 technical education options assembly with General Further Education College	

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Daniel Pikett, Careers Leader and Adviser, via email: <u>Daniel.pikett@westpark.derby.sch.uk</u>

Opportunities for access

The school offers the six provider encounters required by law (marked in bold text) 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, Daniel Pikett, to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.