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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 there will be a minimum of two encounters for year 8 to 9 pupils and two encounters for year 10 to 11 pupils.

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 Making it Meaningful checklist (Gatsby Benchmark 7).

MANAGEMENT OF PROVIDER ACCESS

Request Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact either Mr I Reid – Careers Leader or Ms K Lalli – Officer Administrator.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ASCESS

The school offers the four 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.

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	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 7	ELSA Get Work Ready Event	Apprenticeship workshops sessions exploring technical apprenticeships and traineeships	
Year 8	ELSA Get Work Ready Event Careers Lessons	Apprenticeship workshops sessions exploring technical apprenticeships and traineeships Careers Lessons	Technical/vocational tasters at local college/s, training providers Careers Lessons
Year 9	ELSA Get Work Ready Event Meeting with careers adviser – Preparing for Adulthood Careers Lessons	Apprenticeship workshop sessions exploring technical apprenticeships and traineeships Careers Lessons	Careers Lessons
Year 10	Careers Lessons Long Term WEx placements start*	Careers Lessons Careers Fair WEx preparation with Herts SfYP	Careers Lessons WEx Workshops with Fortem WEx Week
Year 11	Careers Lessons Post 16 provider open evenings. Post 16 apprenticeships lessons Meetings with careers adviser Post 16 applications	Careers Lessons Technical/vocational tasters at local college/s, training providers Post-16 interviews Apprenticeship workshop sessions exploring technical apprenticeships and traineeships	Careers Lessons Confirmation of post-16 education and training destinations for all pupils

*Long Term WEx placements are secured on a need by need basis for individual pupils.

PROVIDERS

Providers	Details
Oaklands College (Welwyn & St Albans)	Oaklands College supports college visits, careers fairs and opportunities to talk to subject leaders from a variety of different subjects.
North Herts College (Stevenage and Hitchin)	North Herts College supports college visits, careers fairs and opportunities to talk to subject leaders from a variety of different subjects.

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West Herts College (Watford)	West Herts College supports college visits, careers fairs and opportunities to talk to subject leaders from a variety of different subjects.
Hertford Regional College (Ware & Broxbourne)	Hertford Regional College supports college visits, careers fairs and opportunities to talk to subject leaders from a variety of different subjects.
The Careers & Enterprise Company	<p>The Careers & Enterprise Company is the national body for careers education in England, supporting schools and colleges to deliver modern, 21st century careers education. Their mission is to help every young person find their best next step.</p> <p>The CEC provide Brandles School with training and support as well as bringing employers, educators and providers together through a network of Careers Hubs.</p>
Services for Young People	Services for Young People are part of Hertfordshire County Council and provides youth work projects, information, advice, guidance, work-related learning and wider support for young people in Hertfordshire.
Amazing Apprenticeship	Amazing Apprenticeship provide a wide range of opportunities to Brandles from apprenticeship talks, workshops, apprenticeship guidance to parents/carers and provide staff training to help embed support to tutor groups and resources used in lessons.
ELSA	<p>Founded in 2015, ELSA Next Generation is an award-winning non-profit organisation providing targeted and transformational educational programmes to young people.</p> <p>Currently ELSA deliver at Brandles, Get Work Ready - A one day programme which allows students to take part in interview and job application challenges that employers use within their current recruitment processes.</p>
Fortem	<p>Established in 2002, Fortem provides specialist property solutions tailored to keep homes and buildings running smoothly. Our highly trained teams deliver a range of internal and external repairs 24/7 as well as high quality voids, planned installations and gas services.</p> <p>Fortem are the business link for Brandles delivering workshops, training and apprenticeship opportunities.</p>
Job Centre Plus	Jobcentre Plus is a government-funded employment agency and social security office that is working together with Brandles School to provide meaningful encounters with employers and help to get students ready for work