

Breckenbrough School: Provider Access Policy Statement

In line with The Department of Education, July 2021: “Baker Clause” and the Provider Access Legislation, January 2023

Ownership: Breckenbrough School

Date updated: January 2023

Rationale

High quality careers education and guidance in school is critical to young people’s futures. It helps to prepare students for the workplace by providing a clear understanding of the world of work including the routes to jobs and careers that they might find engaging and rewarding. It helps students to acquire the self-development and career management skills they need to achieve positive employment destinations. This helps students to choose their pathways, improve their life opportunities and contribute to a productive and successful economy.

As the number of apprenticeships rise every year, it becomes increasingly important that all young people have a full understanding of all the options available to them post-16 and post-18 including wider technical education options such as T-Levels and Higher Technical Qualifications.

Commitment

Breckenbrough School is committed to ensuring there is an opportunity for a range of education and training providers to access students, for the purpose of informing students about approved technical education qualifications and apprenticeships. Breckenbrough School is fully aware of the responsibility to set students on the path that will secure the best outcome which will enable them to progress in education and work and give employers the highly skilled people they need. That means acting impartially, in line with the statutory duty, and not showing bias towards any route, be that academic or technical.

Breckenbrough School endeavours to ensure that all students are aware of all routes to higher skills and are able to access information on technical options and apprenticeships (The Department of Education, July 2021: “Baker Clause”: supporting students to understand the full range of education and training options, and the Provider Access Legislation, January 2023).

Aims

Breckenbrough School policy for Access to other education and training providers has the following aims:

- To develop the knowledge and awareness of our students of all career pathways available to them, including technical qualifications and apprenticeships.
- To support young people to be able to learn more about opportunities for education and training outside of school before making crucial choices about their future options.
- To reduce drop out from courses and avoid the risk of students becoming NEET (Young people not in education, employment or training).

Student Entitlement

Breckenbrough School fully supports the statutory requirement for students to have direct access to other providers of further education training, technical training and apprenticeships. The school will comply with the new legal requirement to put on at least six encounters with providers of approved technical education

qualifications or apprenticeships. This will be done via speakers in school, careers events in school, visits to providers.

Students in years 8-13 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.
- as part of an integrated careers programme students have the opportunity to hear from a range of providers about the vocational areas they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships.
- Students will gain a thorough understanding of how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

Development

This policy has been developed and is reviewed annually by the Careers Leader and Line Manager (Sally Leck and James Shutt) based on current good practice guidelines by the Department for Education.

Links with other policies

It supports and is underpinned by key school policies including those for Careers, Child Protection, Equality and Diversity, and SEND.

Equality and Diversity

Access to other providers is available and promoted to allow all students to access information about other providers of further education and apprenticeships. Breckenbrough school is committed to encouraging all students to make decisions about their future based on impartial information.

Requests for access

Requests for access should be directed to Sally Leck, Careers Leader. Sally Leck may be contacted by telephone or email, sally.leck@breckenbrough.org.uk, Tel 01845 587238.

Grounds for granting requests for access

Access will be given for providers to attend during school assemblies, timetabled Careers or PSHCE lessons, and Careers Events. Students may also travel to visit another provider as part of the trip to be organised in partnership with Breckenbrough School.

Details of premises or facilities to be provided to a person who is given access

Breckenbrough school will provide an appropriate room or assembly hall to be agreed. Computers, projectors and screens can be provided if required. Computer rooms can also be arranged. The Careers Leader will organise this, working closely with the provider to ensure the facilities are appropriate to the audience. Appropriate safeguarding checks will be carried out. Providers will be met and supervised by a member of school staff who will facilitate.

Live/Virtual encounters

Breckenbrough will consider live online encounters with providers where requested, and these may be broadcast into classrooms or the school assembly hall. Technology checks in advance will be required to ensure compatibility of systems.

Parents and Carers

Parental involvement is encouraged, and parents may be invited to attend the events to meet the providers.

Management

The Careers Leader coordinates all provider requests and is responsible to her senior management line manager.

Complaints Procedure

Any complaints about this policy should be raised to Sally Leck email: sally.leck@breckenbrough.org.uk
Sally Leck will raise the complaint to Simon Bannister, Head Teacher at Breckenbrough School.

Monitoring review and evaluation

The Policy is monitored and evaluated annually by the Careers Leader (Sally Leck) and Deputy Head (James Shutt).

Reviewing Schedule Date	*To be reviewed annually Name	Date of Ratification and by whom
Drafted by SL May 2019	Sally Leck (School Careers Lead) and SLT	SL, SB
July 2020	Sally Leck and James Shutt	SL, JS
July 2021	Sally Leck and James Shutt	SL, JS
July 2022	Sally Leck and James Shutt	SL, JS
January 2023	Sally Leck and James Shutt	SL, JS

Appendix

Providers who have been invited into Breckenbrough School to date include:

GoConstruct/CITB Ambassador: Nov 2022

Apprenticeship Stand NYBEP: Nov 2022

University of Law (Leeds): May 2019

Derwent training: May 2019

Northern College of Art: Nov 2022

Askham Bryan Middlesbrough: Nov 2022
Askham Bryan York: Nov 2022
Darlington College: Nov 2022
York College: Nov 2022
Leeds Trinity University: Nov 2022
University of Hull University: Nov 2022
University of Bradford: Nov 2022
ESPA Specialist College Stockton: Nov 2022
ESPA Specialist College Sunderland: Nov 2022
Prior Pursglove Endeavour: Nov 2021
Teesside University: Nov 2022
Construction Skills Village Scarborough: June 2022
University of Sunderland: June 2021
Acorn Community Care: Nov 2022
HIT Training: Sept 2022
University of York: Nov 2022
Project Choice York: Nov 2022
Project Choice Middlesbrough: Nov 2022
NYBEP Delivery of NCFE Employability Skills (weekly): Oct 2022 – Feb 2023

Destinations of previous students from Breckenbrough School include:

Newcastle Aviation
Deloitte LLP Apprenticeship Newcastle
Scania Apprenticeship Stockton
Scania Apprenticeship Leeds
Beyond Boundaries
University of York: Politics, Robotics
Lincoln University: Economics with Masters
University of Hull: Law, Politics

University of Salford: Media/TV/Film

University of Teesside: Games Design

Darlington College: Performing Arts, Motor Mechanics, Bricklaying, Engineering, Public Services

York College: A Levels, Vocational courses

Supported Internship: Civil Service Leeds

Project Choice: Supported Internship via NHS

Prior Pursglove Sixth Form: A Levels, vocational courses

ESPA Specialist Educational provision

University of Sunderland: Pharmaceutical Sciences

Moray College: A Levels

St Andrews University: Mathematics with Masters

Clervaux Trust: Horticulture

Middlesbrough College: Sport

