



Loreto High School Provider Access Policy Statement

Under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997 and the Skills and Post-16 Education Act 2022 we have a duty to provide pupils in Years 8-13 with access to providers of post-14, post-16 and post-18 education and training. This policy statement sets out how we manage access requests from these providers.

What are pupils entitled to?

Pupils in Years 8 to 13 are entitled to:

- Learn more about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of a careers programme which informs pupils of the full range of education and training options available to them at each transition point.
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities on offer, for example, technical education and apprenticeships – this can be achieved through options evenings, assemblies, Formation Time, curriculum lessons, group discussions, and taster events.
- Understand how to apply to the full range of academic and technical courses available to them.

All pupils in Years 7 to 11 will receive at least four encounters with accredited providers of technical education and apprenticeships. These encounters will be divided accordingly:

- During Key Stage 3 (Year 7 to Year 9) all pupils must attend two mandatory sessions by accredited providers
- During Key Stage 4 (Year 10 and 11) all pupils must attend two mandatory sessions by accredited providers

What opportunities are provided to allow access to pupils?

A number of events are integrated into the school careers programme which would potentially offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents. The school offers the six provider encounters that are legally required – these are marked with bold text below – and a number of additional events. These range from special assemblies, guest speakers, the Year 10 Careers and Life Skills in the summer term to the Year 9 Mini Careers Fair and a wide variety of different engagement opportunities. The school calendar varies from year to year so providers need to contact the member of staff named below to identify the most suitable opportunity. The events are usually arranged well in advance so it is essential that providers contact us early in the academic year to be involved in our planning.

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Our annual schedule of events is as follows:



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	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Year 7	Diversity Day International Men's Day European Day of Languages	International Women's Day National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week PHSCE lessons	Careers Fair
Year 8	Diversity Day International Men's Day European Day of Languages	International Women's Day National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week PHSCE lessons	Careers Fair
Year 9	Diversity Day International Men's Day European Day of Languages	International Women's Day National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week PHSCE lessons Year 9 Mini Careers Fair	Careers Fair
Year 10	Diversity Day International Men's Day European Day of Languages	International Women's Day National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week	Enterprise Challenge Careers Fair Interview Skills Mock interviews College visits CV workshop GM Higher Post 18 options and information
Year 11	Diversity Day International Men's Day European Day of Languages College Roadshows College Application and Personal statement support Personal Guidance	International Women's Day National Apprenticeship Week National Careers Week Apprenticeship Roadshow Apprenticeship application support Personal Guidance	Careers Fair



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During these sessions, at a minimum, providers will be given enough time to:

- Share information about the provider and the approved technical qualifications and apprenticeships they offer.
- Explain what career routes these qualifications and apprenticeships could lead to.
- Provide insights into what it might be like to learn or train with that provider.
- Answer pupils' questions.

Which providers have previously been invited to the school?

In previous terms and academic years, the school has invited the following providers to speak to pupils:

- Greater Manchester Learning Network Provider
- The Growth Company
- The Manchester College
- NG Bailey Construction & Engineering
- PWC
- RAF
- Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue
- Greater Manchester Police
- Astra Zeneca
- AECOM
- Aldermore Bank
- The Warehouse Project/Parklife
- Microsoft
- Nando's
- Transport for Greater Manchester
- NHS

Last year, our Year 11 pupils moved on to a range of providers in the local area after finishing school.

Loreto College 39.2%

Xaverian College – 23.53%

Trafford College Group – 11.11%

The Manchester College – 9.8%

Local School Sixth Forms – 4.58%

Other Post 16 Education or Training – 5.22%

Local School Sixth Forms – 4.48%



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Who should providers contact to discuss events and options?

Any provider wishing to request access should contact the following member of staff to discuss possible attendance at relevant events:

Name	Mr J Chillingworth, CEIAG Lead
Telephone	0161 881 9448
Email	chillingworthj@loretochorlton.manchester.sch.uk

What can providers expect once a request has been accepted?

Once we have approved a provider, we will work with them to identify the best method for providing access to our pupils. Access to appropriate rooms and facilities will be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit. We will also make presentation equipment, such as projectors and televisions, available to providers. Arrangements will be discussed in advance between our careers leader and a nominated member of the provider's team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus, other relevant course literature, relevant brochures and other printed material specifically related to technical courses and apprenticeships with the school librarian at the school library; these will be made available to students in Careers section of the school library.

How are complaints regarding provider access managed?

If you have a complaint relating to the school's provider access arrangements, you can raise it in line with the school's Complaints Procedures Policy or you can contact The Careers and Enterprise Company directly on provideraccess@careersandenterprise.co.uk.

Approval and review

This policy statement was approved by the governing board on date.

Signed: _____ Chair of Governors

Date: _____

Signed: _____ Headteacher

Date: _____