Hummersknott Academy



2 – Provider Access

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Hummersknott Academy Trust incorporates Hummersknott Academy and Skerne Park Academy and unless otherwise stated this policy applies to all Academies equally. This policy relates to Hummersknott Academy only.

PURPOSE

This document details students' entitlement to information on future educational and training opportunities and the Academy's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students for the purposes of disseminating information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the Academy's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

SCOPE

At Hummersknott Academy, students' entitlement to fair access to all educational providers is recognised as important to them making an informed decision about their future. We pride ourselves on fully informing students of future options available to them.

Students are entitled to:

- find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of a careers programme, this provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point
- hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships, through options evenings, assemblies, group discussions and taster events
- understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses

Providers wishing to request access should contact the Careers Team on 01325 241191 or atd@hummersknott.org.uk.

The Academy's Safeguarding Policy sets out the school's requirements in respect of visitor passes, lanyards, Disclosure and Barring Service checks, etc.

Delivery

A wide range of events are included in the careers programme, which is delivered through the Life Skills programme. These opportunities allow providers to speak to both students and parents. Below details the opportunities available:

- Providers are invited to attend the annual careers convention, where students are encouraged to visit a
 wide variety of stalls, to gain knowledge on options available to them
- Providers are invited to attend Year 9 and Year 11 parents' evenings, to ensure wrap-around guidance for both students and parents
- Providers are invited to the Year 9 Options evening to give vital information at a key transition point
- Providers deliver assemblies to students, thereby giving students the opportunity to hear what is on offer
- Taster days are arranged for Year 10, where they get the opportunity to explore what providers have to
 offer and to experience life at the facility

The Life Skills programme also offers many opportunities for students to access information on educational and training opportunities and the chance to explore providers and what they offer. For example, students use computer programmes to access Post 16 education and training opportunities, and attend lessons focused on the different routes at Post 16.

This policy links with values 1 - Academic excellence, 2 - Outstanding provision, 3 - Nothing but the best for all, 4 – Taking responsibility and 5 - Foundations for future success of Hummersknott Academy Trust's Vision and Values.

RESPONSIBILITY

This policy will be reviewed and updated where necessary by the Assistant Principal Curriculum at Hummersknott Academy and approved for adoption by the Community Committee.

PUBLICISING THE POLICY

A copy of this policy will be available on the Academy's website and the X Drive. Staff will be advised of amendments to this policy via the Staff Bulletin and are expected to familiarise themselves with the content.

POLICY STATUS

This is a non-statutory policy.