



Maharishi School
Provider Access Policy

Updated December 2017

Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the school for the purposes 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.

Student entitlement

Students in years 8-11 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 parents evenings, assemblies and group discussions and taster events.
- To understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Mrs Edwards, Headteacher, or Mrs Walters, Deputy Head of the secondary phase.

Telephone: 01695 729912

Email: enquiries@maharishischool.com

Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the school careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents:

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	<i>Life Skills - PSHE All year access to careers materials</i>	<i>Careers Fair at West Lancs College</i>	<i>Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities</i>

			<i>End of year careers event tbc</i>
Year 9	<i>Life Skills - PSHE All year access to careers materials</i>	<i>Careers Fair at West Lancs College</i>	<i>End of year careers event tbc</i>
Year 10	<i>Life Skills – work experience introduction and preparation sessions All year access to careers materials</i>	<i>Careers Fair at West Lancs College</i>	<i>2 Trial days at local colleges Life skills – assembly and tutor group opportunities End of year careers event tbc</i>
Year 11	<i>Open evenings at local colleges Life Skills – assembly on opportunities at 16 All year access to careers materials</i>	<i>College interviews Post 16 evening Post 16 taster sessions</i>	

The school policy on safeguarding sets out the school's approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students.

[<http://maharishischool.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Safeguarding-Policy-revised-02.02.2018.pdf>]

Premises and facilities

The school will make the assembly hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available an interactive whiteboard and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature which will be made available to pupils.

Approval and review - to be ratified by Governing Body in April 2018