



Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils at the school for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the school's legal obligation under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact: Sharon Settle – Careers teacher – s.settle@larches.lancs.sch.uk / 01772 792412

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/carers. These are regularly timetabled through the curriculum and enrichment events. The main event for doing this is the Careers Event which is usually held in the Autumn or Spring Term each year. If you do not receive a formal invite in please contact the Careers Coordinator for more details.

On occasion requests for access will be refused. These grounds will be fully explained, should the need arise. The reasons are generally related to health and safety or safeguarding.

Visits from approved providers will be fully supported by Larches High School staff. Providers will not be left alone with pupils and a room and additional facilities will be made available. Providers will be fully briefed on health, safety, fire and safeguarding protocols.

If there is enough interest among pupils we may also invite education or training providers to deliver drop-in sessions at school to provide information, support with applications or run interviews. These can take the form of face to face or virtual encounters.

If providers have any reason to complain about their experience with Larches High School, they should raise this with the headteacher in the first instance. Unsuccessful resolution should be dealt with under the school's complaints policy.

Providers who have previously been invited in to Larches High School have included:

Local Colleges	Highfield Services
Lancashire Fire & Rescue	Willmott Dixon
PCSO Police	Conlon Construction
Preston North End	The Princes Trust
Preston Vocational Centre	Armed Forces
NHS Health Academy	

Destinations of previous pupils have included:

Colleges & Sixth Forms

- Blackburn College
- Cardinal Newman Sixth Form College
- Myerscough College
- Preston College
- Runshaw College
- Creativity Works Preston