# **Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form: Provider Access Policy**

### Introduction

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

Within this document the term providers refers to an organisation that offers education and training opportunities to young people, such as universities, colleges, apprenticeship training, employers, volunteering organisations etc.

#### Student entitlement

Students in years 12-13 are entitled:

- to find out about technical education qualifications (e.g. T Levels which have been developed with employers to meet the needs of industry) and apprenticeship opportunities (paid employment with formal training), as part of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available;
- to hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships through options events, assemblies and group discussions and taster events;
- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

We will do this by committing to the mandatory requirement of:

• Providing a minimum of 2 encounters for year 12 and Year 13 with technical education or training providers which are optional for students to attend.

## Management of provider access requests

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

Rachael Duff - Careers Lead

01325 461315 (qe@qeliz.ac.uk)

## **Opportunities for access**

Opportunities for access to a number of events, integrated into the college careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into college to speak to pupils and/or their parents/carers (or a virtual alternative will be provided), examples include:

- Employer & Gap Year Fair
- Parents HE Evening
- Employer talks, delivered at relevant points throughout the academic year

#### **Premises & Facilities**

The college will make facilities available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available existing technological and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will

be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with a member of the Careers team. Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature for inclusion in the Careers Library, which is an open access area available to all students.

## **Approval & Review**

Approved by the Board of Governors - 22nd June 2023

Next review: June 2024