KING EDWARD VI
SHELDON HEATH
ACADEMY

Provider Access Policy

Responsible Board/Committee	SGB
Policy Type	Academy Policy
Policy Owner	M Jensen
Statutory	Yes
Publish Online	Yes
Last review date	October 2026
Review Cycle	Annual This policy will not expire but will be reviewed as per its designated cycle. This policy remains effective whilst the review is taking place and will only become non-applicable once the updated version has been approved.
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SGB Approval Date	October 2026

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 obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 8-13 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 options events, 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 Mr M Jensen, Careers Lead, Telephone: 01214644428; Email: enquires@keshacademy.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/carers. These events include:

- School Assemblies
- University Fair
- Careers Fair
- STEM lessons

Please speak to our Careers leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Premises and facilities

The school will make the main 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 AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader or the most appropriate member of staff.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with Mr Jensen who will arrange for it to be available in the library which is open to students at lunch and break times.