

## Provider Access Legislation (January 2023) & Addendum to Careers strategy

### Policy Statement Addendum (to be approved by SLT)

#### Summary of changes

The provider access legislation is an updated law that is coming into force in January 2023. It specifies schools must provide **at least six encounters** with providers of technical education or apprenticeships for all their students during school years 8- 13:

- **Two** encounters for pupils during the ‘first key phase’ (year 8 or 9) that are **mandatory** for all pupils to attend, to take place any time during year 8 or between 1 September and 28 February during year 9.
- **Two** encounters for pupils during the ‘second key phase’ (year 10 or 11) that are **mandatory** for all pupils to attend, to take place any time during year 10 or between 1 September and 28 February during year 11.
- **Two** encounters for pupils during the ‘third key phase’ (year 12 or 13) that are mandatory for the school to put on but **optional** for pupils to attend, to take place any time during year 12 or between 1 September and 28 February during year 13. Schools should encourage all pupils to attend the encounters, however, optional attendance for older pupils recognises that, while many 16- to- 18-year-olds will benefit from finding out more about post-18 technical options, some will be in the sixth form having made a firm decision to pursue their chosen pathway.

\*we cannot count two encounters with the same provider in the same phase, this would only count as one

#### Criteria

Schools must ensure the provider of technical education or apprenticeships provides information to pupils that, as a minimum, includes:

- Information about the provider and the approved technical education qualifications or apprenticeships that the provider offers,
- Information about the careers to which those technical education qualifications or apprenticeships might lead,
- A description of what learning or training with the provider is like,
- Responses to questions from the pupils about the provider or approved technical education qualifications and apprenticeships

#### Plan for meaningful encounters

	Encounter One	Encounter Two
First Key Phase (Yr 8 & 9)	Manchester College Extended Assembly / Talk (Invited for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> of Feb and confirmed)	TBC – Bury college has been approached but no response offered.

<b>Second Key Phase (Yr 10 &amp; 11)</b>	<b>Manchester College Extended Assembly / Talk (invited for 31<sup>st</sup> of Jan and confirmed)</b>	<b>TBC - Bury college has been approached but no response offered.</b>
<b>Third Key Phase (Yr 12 &amp; 13)</b>	<b>Manchester College Careers Fair / Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> confirmed.</b>	<b>UCAS &amp; Apprenticeship Fair (Mar)</b>

**NB**

Provider access policy remains fit for purpose.