



**BIDDULPH
HIGH
SCHOOL**

PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY
including **BAKER CLAUSE STATEMENT**
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Introduction

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

Biddulph High School Student Entitlement

All pupils in Years 7-11 are entitled to;

- Find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of a careers programme which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point;
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including T Levels, Higher Technical Qualifications (HTQ's), Traineeships, internships as well as apprenticeships – through a range of events such as, options events, assemblies, employer encounters and group discussions and taster events;
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses
- All maintained schools and academies must provide six encounters with a provider of technical education or apprenticeships for year 8-13 pupils.

As a minimum, schools must offer;

- Two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (Year 8 or 9) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend, to take place anytime during Year 8 or between 1 September and 28 February during Year 9
- Two encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (Year 10 and 11) that are mandatory for all pupils to attend, to take place anytime during Year 10 or between September and 28 February during Year 11
- Two encounters for pupils during the 'third key phase' (Year 12 and 13) that are mandatory for the school to provide but optional for pupils to attend.

A meaningful provider encounter is defined as one meeting/session between students and a provider. Biddulph High School is committed to providing meaningful encounters to all students.

Meaningful encounters can be carried out in person or online.

Previous Providers that have been invited to speak to our students:

- Amazing Apprenticeships
- Atlanta Group
- Brown Recycling
- Cardiff University
- Carson Powell
- Carse and Waterman
- Churchill China
- Derby University
- Edge Hill

- Fedex
- Harper Adams
- Hartshorne Motors
- Higher Horizons
- JCR Football Coaching
- KMF
- Lincoln University
- NHS
- Parker Software
- Pentagon Foods
- Promtek
- Siemens
- South Wales University
- Staffordshire Fire Services
- Staffordshire Police
- Staffordshire Wildlife Trust
- Stephen Rushton – Training & Business Solutions
- The Bank of England
- The Royal Navy

We are also adding new providers to our list.

Our local Careers Hub Manager is Paul Williams.

All students through Years 9 - 13 have their own log in to our chosen careers platform Unifrog. This allows them to log work experience placements and to build their knowledge and skills overtime before planning their own bespoke pathway at key transition points.

Management of Provider Access Requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Charlotte Campbell, Careers, Enterprise and Employability Coordinator, Tel: 01782 523977 Email: ccampbell@bhs.potteries.ac.uk

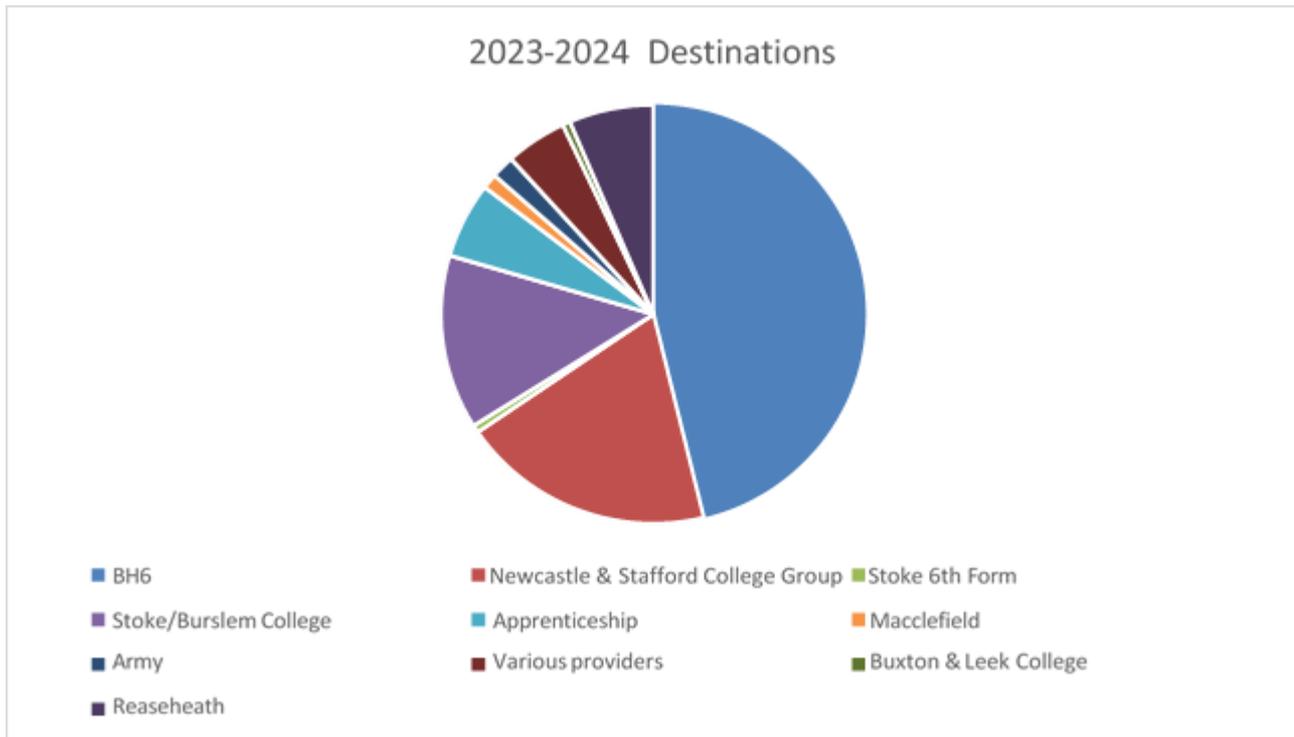
Resources can be sent to the following address:

Biddulph High School, Conway Road, Knypersley, Stoke on Trent, Staffordshire, ST8 7AR

Opportunities for access

A number of events are integrated into the school's careers programme, where we will offer providers an opportunity to come into schools to speak with students and their parents/carers.

These will be linked in to Enrichment days, careers convention and assemblies throughout the school year.



BHS Careers Programme 2025-2027

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 9	Careers in the curriculum Coding week National Manufacturing day	Careers assemblies Options assemblies & choice making Introduce work experience	Careers focus in PSHE National apprenticeship week National Careers week British Science week	Careers & next steps fairs	Year 10 work experience launch Careers assemblies	
Year 10	Work experience deadline Careers assemblies Careers in the curriculum Coding week	Careers focus in PSHE	Careers focus in PSHE National apprenticeship week National careers week Careers assemblies British Science week	Next steps assemblies Careers & next steps fairs One week work experience	Careers interviews start Careers assemblies	I am in contact with these again to get this up and running

Year 11	Careers focus in PSHE Next steps assemblies Careers interviews start Careers assemblies Careers in the curriculum Coding week		National apprenticeship week National careers week Careers assemblies British Science week	Post 16 tracking applications Careers & next steps fairs	Final applications chased and tracked	
Year 12	Careers in the curriculum Coding week	National School leavers Festival	National apprenticeship week National Careers week British Science week	UCAS & next steps introduction Careers & next steps fairs	Careers focus in PSHE Careers interviews start	Work experience (2 week)

Year 13	careers focus in PSHE careers interviews start careers in the curriculum coding week	Mock interviews with employers/ HE UCAS deadlines	Careers focus in PSHE National apprenticeships week 2023 National Careers weeks 2023 British Science week	Post 18 tracking applications Careers & next steps fairs	Final applications chased and tracked	
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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 and private meeting rooms available for discussions between providers and students as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available any equipment to support provider presentations. This will be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers lead.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the school reception which will be displayed in our career office. These resources are available to all students at lunch times, break times and after school. We also have display boards around the school for promotional materials if needed.

All pupils have access to Unifrog and Microsoft Teams as their learning platforms.

Safeguarding

Our safeguarding policy outlines the school's procedure for checking the identity and sustainability of visitors. Education and training providers will be expected to adhere to this policy <https://biddulphhigh.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Supporting-Students-with-Medical-Conditions-Policy-September-2022.pdf>

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