



## **The Boulevard Academy: Provider Access Statement**

### **Introduction**

This statement sets out The Boulevard Academy's arrangements for managing the access of external providers to students 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, the provider access legislation (Baker Clause), and the Skills and Post-16 Act 2022.

### **Student Entitlement**

All students in Years 8-11 have access 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 appropriate transition points.
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options events, assemblies and taster events.
- Understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

To ensure our students receive the highest quality careers education and guidance, encounters must include:

- 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.

**For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for pupils during the 'first key phase' (year 8 to 9) and two encounters for pupils during the 'second key phase' (year 10 to 11).**

### **Management of Provider Access Requests**

Any provider wishing to request access or to be mentioned on our website should, in the first instance contact:

Mrs Fiona Marshall (Career Leader)

Email: [careers@theboulevardacademy.com](mailto:careers@theboulevardacademy.com) Telephone: 01482 217898

Once contact has been made, we will arrange a suitable, time, date, and method for the student encounter. These arrangements will be made with the provider, allowing a suitable, purposeful experience to be organised.



### **Opportunities for Access**

A number of events, delivered as part of The Boulevard Academy's career programme will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers. Events including but not exclusively: Year 11 Parents evenings, visits to Post 16 training and education providers, Post 16 assembly talks, The Boulevard Academy Careers Fair and online encounters.

Please speak to the Career Leader to discuss the most suitable opportunity for you.

Access to students and/or their parents/carers will be granted at The Boulevard Academy's discretion, considering both the academy's legal obligations and the best interests of the students.

Access will be granted on the understanding that the information and guidance offered by the providers related to educational establishments, technical courses, apprenticeship opportunities or any other aspect of careers education information and guidance as agreed, in advance, by the Career Leader. Providers and/or their representatives will be expected to meet and follow the academy's safeguarding requirements.

### **Premises and Facilities**

The Boulevard Academy will make the main hall, classrooms, conference rooms or offices available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity.

The Boulevard Academy will also make available AV and other equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Career Leader.

Providers are welcome to request that a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature can be added to the Careers section of the Academy Library.

### **Previous providers invited into the Academy include (but not exhaustive):**

- Wyke Sixth Form College
- St Mary's College
- Wilberforce
- HETA
- Bishop Burton College
- HYA
- Cranswick

### **Provider complaints procedure**

If a provider wishes to make a complaint, in the first instance they should raise the issue with the Careers Leader within the Academy ([fmarshall@theboulevardacademy.com](mailto:fmarshall@theboulevardacademy.com)) or the leadership team member with overall responsibility for careers ([ehamer@theboulevardacademy.com](mailto:ehamer@theboulevardacademy.com)). If a resolution cannot be reached, then the provider should raise their issue directly with the Headteacher.