

# Tuition, Medical and Behaviour Support Service

# **Provider Access Policy**

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#### Introduction

This policy statement sets out the Service's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at TMBSS for the purpose of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This is outlined in section 42B of the <u>Education Act 1997</u>, the <u>Skills and Post-16 Act 2022</u> and on page 43 of guidance from the Department for Education (DfE) on <u>careers guidance and access for education and training providers</u>.

#### Student entitlement

All students in years 7-13 are entitled to:

- 2 encounters for students during the 'first key phase' (year 8 or 9)
  - All students must attend
  - Encounters can take place any time during year 8, and between 1
    September and 28 February during year 9
- 2 encounters for students during the 'second key phase' (year 10 or 11)
  - All students must attend
  - Encounters can take place any time during year 10, and between 1
    September and 28 February during year 11
- 2 encounters for students during the 'third key phase' (year 12 or 13)
  - Students can choose to attend
  - Encounters can take place any time during year 12, and between 1
    September and 28 February during year 13

These encounters must happen for a reasonable period of time during the standard TMBSS day. TMBSS Centres can continue to provide complementary experiences but encounters outside of Centre hours won't count towards these requirements.

TMBSS will ask each provider to provide the following information as a minimum:

- Information about the provider and the approved qualifications or apprenticeships they offer
- Information about what careers those qualifications and apprenticeships can lead to
- What learning or training with the provider is like
- Answers to any questions from students

#### Management of provider access requests

#### Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact: Joe Clarke - Careers Guidance Manager,

Telephone:07890642674

Email: Clarke.J@tmbss-shropshire.org.uk

A member of the TMBSS careers team will work closely with the provider, in order to arrange an encounter within the TMBSS education centres, to speak with students and/or their parents/carers.

### **Opportunities for access**

A number of events, integrated into the TMBSS careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to speak to students and/or their parents/carers:

Key Stage 3							
Centre	*FE Provider 1	*FE Provider 2	Training Provider				
Sundorne	Shrewsbury College	*NSC Walford	Nova Training				
Bridgnorth	Telford College	Kidderminster College	Juniper Training				
Oswestry	*NSC Oswestry	Shrewsbury College	Crossbar Training				
Hook a Gate	Shrewsbury College	*NSC Walford	Nova Training				
Ludlow	*NSC Ludlow	*NSC Hereford	Landau Training				
Outreach	Shrewsbury College	*NSC Walford	Landau Training				

<sup>\*</sup>FE = Further Education

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Key Stage 4								
Centre	*FE Provider 1	*FE Provider 2	*HE Provider	Apprenticeship Provider	Training Provider			
Sundorne	Shrewsbury College	*NSC Walford	Shrewsbury College HE	ASK Apprenticeships	Nova Training			
Bridgnorth	Telford College	Kidderminster College	Wolverhampton University	ASK Apprenticeships	Juniper Training			
Oswestry	*NSC Oswestry	Shrewsbury College	Glyndwr University	ASK Apprenticeships	Crossbar Training			
Hook a Gate	Shrewsbury College	*NSC Walford	Harper Adams University	ASK Apprenticeships	Nova Training			
Ludlow	*NSC Ludlow	*NSC Hereford	Hereford College of Arts	ASK Apprenticeships	Landau Training			
Outreach	Shrewsbury College	*NSC Walford	Shrewsbury College HE	ASK Apprenticeships	Landau Training			

<sup>\*</sup>FE = Further Education

<sup>\*</sup>HE = Higher Education

<sup>\*</sup>NSC = North Shropshire College

#### **Granting and refusing access**

Access to our students will be granted where it can be agreed that the provider matches the needs of our students and that we can accommodate your request in terms of scheduling and space.

#### Safeguarding

Our safeguarding/child protection policy outlines the TMBSS procedure for checking the identity and suitability of visitors. Education and training providers will be expected to adhere to this policy.

#### **Destinations of Our Students**

Following Gatsby benchmark 3, we collect and maintain accurate data for each student on their education, training or employment destinations, for at least three years after they leave the Service. Last year, our year 11 students moved to a range of providers in the local area after leaving TMBSS:

Colleges/Post-16 Training Providers/Specialist Provisions:

- Shrewsbury College
- Kidderminster College
- NSC Walford
- NSC Oswestry
- Telford College
- Derby College
- Crossbar Training
- Reach for Inclusion

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Areas of Employment/Apprenticeships:

- Beauty Salon (Nail art)
- Brickwork Apprenticeship
- Roofing Operative

#### Premises and facilities

The Education Centres will make classrooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The Education Centre will also make available smart boards and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader, Careers Advisor and Centre Manager.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at our education centres and these will be made available to all students at lunch and break times.

# Complaints

Any complaints with regards to provider access can be raised following the school complaints procedure or directly with the career's advisor: Clarke.J@tmbss-shropshire.org.uk.

# Links to other policies

- Safeguarding Policy
- Careers & Work-Related Learning Policy
- Complaints Policy