



## DEVONPORT HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS Provider Access Statement

November 2022

### Introduction

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students 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 7-13 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.

For pupils of compulsory school age these encounters are mandatory and there will be a minimum of two encounters for year 8 to 9 pupils and two encounters for year 10 to 11 pupils. For pupils in year 12 to 13, particularly those that have not yet decided on their next steps, there are two more provider encounters available during this period, which are optional for pupils to attend

These provider encounters will be scheduled during the main school hours and the provider will be given a reasonable amount of time to, as a minimum:

- share information about both the provider and the approved technical education qualification and apprenticeships that the provider offers
- explain what career routes those options could lead to
- provide insights into what it might be like to learn or train with that provider (including the opportunity to meet staff and pupils from the provider)
- answer questions from pupils.

### Meaningful Provider Encounters

One encounter is defined as one meeting/session between pupils and one provider

### **Previous Providers**

Plymouth City College  
Wolferstans Solicitors  
Bishop Fleming  
Babcock  
Skills Southwest/Prospects – Apprenticeship Fayre

### **Destinations of our pupils**

#### **Last year our year 11 pupils moved to range of providers in the local area after school:**

Various Sixth Forms around the city  
Plymouth College of Art  
Callywith College  
Plymouth Argyle

#### **Last year our year 13 pupils moved to range of providers in the local area after school:**

Higher Education – Plymouth University one of the most popular destinations  
Babcock Apprenticeship  
Land Registry Apprenticeship  
Gap Year  
Plymouth College of Art – Foundation Year

### **Management of provider access requests**

#### **Procedure**

A provider wishing to request access should contact Mr E Lamb (Assistant Head Teacher, Head of Sixth Form, Careers Lead)  
Telephone: 01752 705204  
Email: elamb@dhsg.co.uk

#### **Opportunities for access**

The school offers the **six provider encounters required by law** and a number of additional events, integrated into the school careers programme. We will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils or their parents or carers.

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



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Please see below an outline of some of our main events:

In keeping with new Provider Access requirements from January 2023, we will be ensuring that the planning of our Careers Events allow for:

|                | <b>Autumn Term</b>  | <b>Spring Term</b>   | <b>Summer Term</b>  |
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| <b>Year 7</b>  | Employability skills with Unifrog   | Unifrog Treasure Hunt  | Unifrog Skills and Recording Activities<br>Unifrog Interests and Dream Job      |
| <b>Year 8</b>  | Unifrog Success Terminology<br>Visit by technical education or apprenticeship provider  | GCSE Information Evening<br>Unifrog GCSE Options<br>Unifrog Treasure Hunt  | Unifrog Activities and Competencies   |
| <b>Year 9</b>  | Unifrog What Makes a Get Leader?  | Unifrog Activities and Subjects Library Hunt<br>Unifrog Identifying Interests<br>Visit by technical education or apprenticeship provider | Unifrog Skills, Teams and Future  |
| <b>Year 10</b> | Work Experience Applications<br>Visit by technical education or apprenticeship provider | Unifrog Treasure Hunt<br><i>Skills South West Convention</i>   | Unifrog Team Player<br>University of Plymouth Open Day visit<br>Work Experience |
| <b>Year 11</b> | Post 16 Induction and interviews<br>Year 11 Matters Day<br>Unifrog Post-16 Intentions   | Unifrog Writing a CV<br>Visit by technical education or apprenticeship provider  | GCSE Examinations   |

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| <b>Year 12</b> | Unifrog competencies and careers plans, and personality profiles                                     | Alternatives to university workshops<br>UCAS Preparation<br>Visit by technical education or apprenticeship provider | UCAS day – session run on Apprenticeships<br>Further visits by training providers |
| <b>Year 13</b> | Higher and Degree Apprenticeship workshop<br>Visit by technical education or apprenticeship provider |   | Confirmation of destinations.   |

Providers are invited to speak to our Careers Lead to identify the most suitable opportunity for them to get involved, or a bespoke slot can be arranged during Careers time or Pastoral Curriculum time.

### **Premises and facilities**

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or the Sixth Form Centre 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 Lead or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature where it will be held in the Library or the Sixth Form Centre, which is managed by the school librarian or the Sixth Form Team respectively. The Library and Sixth Form Centre is available to all students at lunch and break times.