

UTC South Durham

Policy Statement on Provider Access



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1. Introduction

This policy statement sets out the UTC's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at the UTC 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 and 'Careers Education and Access for education and training providers' which came into force in January 2018.

Student entitlement

The purpose of the UTC is to help students to become career and life ready and ensure that each student develops a good career direction for themselves and then to build the skills and gain the qualifications so that they can be successful.

All students in years 10-13 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.

- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

Management of provider access requests

A provider wishing to request access should contact:

Catherine Purvis-Mawson, Deputy Principal

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Email: catherine.purvis-mawson@utcsouthdurham.org.

Opportunities for access

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

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 10	Employer sessions: workplace skills	Technical Careers Drop Down Day: (careers week) afternoon and evening Careers Fair	Employer sessions: core skills
Year 11	Employer sessions: workplace skills	Technical Careers Drop Down Day: (careers week) afternoon and evening Careers Fair	
Year 12	Employer sessions: workplace skills	Technical Careers Drop Down Day: (careers week) afternoon and evening Careers Fair	Employer sessions: core skills
Year 13	Employer sessions: workplace skills	Technical Careers Drop Down Day: (careers week) afternoon and evening Careers Fair	

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

Premises and facilities

The UTC will make the Studio lecture hall or classrooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The UTC will also make available AV to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature. This will be placed in the Careers Office which is managed by the Careers Leader which students have access to at all times.