



ENERGY COAST UTC

Provider Access Policy

2022-2025

Approved: Full Governing Body

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Revision History:

Revision	Date	Owner	Summary of Changes
1	July 2018	ICR	New policy
2	January 2022	CBT	Review
3	March 2023	SJR	Updated to reflect changes in regard to PAL legislation 2023
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Introduction

This policy sets out the UTC's arrangements for managing the access of external 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 the Baker Clause 2019.

Pupil entitlement

All pupils in years 10-13 are legally entitled but not limited:

- 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 have at least two encounters in each key phase with local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education, T-Levels 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.

Management of provider access requests

Any provider wishing to request access should contact **Simon Richardson, Acting Vice Principal** on **01900 606446** or simon.richardson@energycoastutc.co.uk

Opportunities for access

A number of events, integrated into the UTC careers programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to pupils and/or their parents/carers. These include but are not limited to:

- **Year 10** – work experience preparation sessions; World of Work days; employer engagement presentations, assemblies and workshops; apprenticeship presentations, etc.
- **Year 11** – assemblies on opportunities at 16; World of Work days; employer engagement presentations, assemblies and workshops; apprenticeship presentations; employer mock interviews, etc.
- **Year 12** - work experience preparation sessions; Higher Education fairs and University open day visits; 12-week employer projects; employer engagement presentations, assemblies and workshops; apprenticeship presentations, etc.
- **Year 13** - Higher Education fairs and University open day visits; 12-week employer projects; employer engagement presentations, assemblies and workshops; apprenticeship presentations, employer engagement presentations, assemblies and workshops; apprenticeship presentations; employer mock interviews, etc.

Premises and facilities

The UTC will make the main hall, classrooms or boardroom 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 the Senior Leadership Team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at reception or with the Careers Lead, which will be placed in the Careers section of the Learning Resource Centre (LRC). The Learning Resource Centre is available to all students at lunch and break times.