

PROVIDER ACCESS POLICY

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1 Background

- 1.1 The Sir John Brunner Foundation is a multi-academy trust created under the provisions of the Academies Act 2010. The Foundation is a company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales with company number 11227336. It is an exempt charity and its Directors are also charity trustees.
- 1.2 Middlewich High School is a member of the Sir John Brunner Foundation and will deliver Provider Access in accordance with this policy and ensure that its contents are shared with all relevant stakeholders.

2 Introduction

- 2.1 This policy statement sets out the secondary academy arrangements for managing the access of providers to 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.
- 2.2 The statutory duty requires that all registered students at the school are provided with independent careers guidance from year 7 to year 11. The school is compliant with the guidelines set out by the Department of Education in the "Careers guidance and access for education and training providers" document published in October, 2018 and the updates published in January 2023.

3 Student Entitlement

- 3.1 All students in years 8 to 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.

4 Management of Provider Access Requests

4.1 Procedure

4.1.1 A provider wishing to request access should contact The Academy directly.

4.2 **Opportunities for Access**

4.2.1 A number of events, integrated into the Academy's Careers Programme, will offer providers an opportunity to come into school to speak to students and/or their parents/carers:

Complete	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 7	MHS Futures Careers Fair*	National	Personal
	To provide comprehensive	apprenticeship	Development form
	information on a wide range	week (Feb) and	time activities
	of post-16 education,	National Careers	Develops essential
	training and employment	Week (March).	character traits and
	options, allowing students	Personal	career readiness
	to gather information and	Development and	through engaging
	ask questions directly.	individual subject	activities and
		lessons dedicated	external speakers.
	Personal Development	to the celebration	
	form time activities	of each event.	
	Develops essential character	Guest speakers	
	traits and career readiness	welcome.	
	through engaging activities		
	and external speakers.	<u>Personal</u>	
		<u>Development</u>	
		<u>form time</u>	
		activities	
		Develops	
		essential	
		character traits	
		and career	
		readiness through	
		engaging	
		activities and	
		external	
		speakers.	
Year 8	MHS Futures Careers Fair *	<u>National</u>	<u>Personal</u>
	To provide comprehensive	apprenticeship	Development form
	information on a wide range	<u>week (Feb) and</u>	time activities
	of post-16 education,	National Careers	Develops essential
	training and employment	Week (March).	character traits and
	options, allowing students	Personal	career readiness
	to gather information and	Development and	through engaging
	ask questions directly.	individual subject	activities and
		lessons dedicated	external speakers.
	Personal Development	to the celebration	
	form time activities	of each event.	
	Develops essential character	Guest speakers	
	traits and career readiness	welcome.	

	through engaging activities and external speakers.	Personal Development form time activities Develops essential character traits and career readiness through engaging activities and external	
Year 9	MHS Futures Careers Fair*To provide comprehensiveinformation on a wide rangeof post-16 education,training and employmentoptions, allowing studentsto gather information andask questions directly.Year 9 Pathways Evening.*To showcase how subjectslink to various career pathsand furthereducation/training options;direct engagement withproviders about theirspecific courses and entryrequirements.KS3 subject area pathwaylessons.To expose students todiverse career paths linkedto curriculum subjects.Guest speakers arewelcome.Sixth Form and CollegeAssemblies.*To raiseawareness of vocational,technical, andapprenticeship pathways; to	speakers. National apprenticeship week (Feb) and National Careers Week (March). Personal Development and individual subject lessons dedicated to the celebration of each event. Guest speakers welcome. Personal Development form time activities Develops essential character traits and career readiness through engaging activities and external speakers.	Personal Development form time activities Develops essential character traits and career readiness through engaging activities and external speakers.

	highlight career opportunities linked to different qualifications. Personal Development form time activities Develops essential character traits and career readiness through engaging activities and external speakers.		
Year 10	 MHS Futures Careers Fair* To provide comprehensive information on a wide range of post-16 education, training and employment options, allowing students to gather information and ask questions directly. Personal Development form time activities Develops essential character traits and career readiness through engaging activities and external speakers. 	National apprenticeship week (Feb) and National Careers Week (March). Personal Development and individual subject lessons dedicated to the celebration of each event. Guest speakers welcome. Personal Development form time activities Develops essential character traits and career readiness through engaging activities and external speakers.	Sixth Form and College Assemblies. To raise awareness of vocational, technical, and apprenticeship pathways; to highlight career opportunities linked to different qualifications. Year 10 Work Experience To provide practical experience in different sectors, allowing students to explore potential career areas and understand the skills required for various roles. Personal Development form time activities Develops essential character traits and career readiness through engaging activities and external speakers.

Year 11	MUS Futures Caracia Foir*	National	Derconal
	MHS Futures Careers Fair*	<u>National</u>	Personal Development form
	To provide comprehensive	apprenticeship	Development form
	information on a wide range	week (Feb) and	time activities
	of post-16 education,	National Careers	Develops essential
	training and employment	Week (March).	character traits and
	options, allowing students	Personal	career readiness
	to gather information and	Development and	through engaging
	ask questions directly.	individual subject	activities and
		lessons dedicated	external speakers.
		to the celebration	
	Sixth Form and College	of each event.	
	Assemblies. To raise	Guest speakers	
	awareness of vocational,	welcome.	
	technical, and	_	
	apprenticeship pathways; to	Personal	
	highlight career	<u>Development</u>	
	opportunities linked to	<u>form time</u>	
	different qualifications	<u>activities</u>	
		Develops	
	Mock Interviews	essential	
	To help students practice	character traits	
	interview skills, build	and career	
	confidence, and receive	readiness through	
	valuable feedback. We	engaging	
	welcome providers and	activities and	
	employers to this event.	external	
		speakers.	
	Personal Development		
	form time activities	Independent	
	Develops essential character	careers advice	
	traits and career readiness	Provides	
	through engaging activities	personalised	
	and external speakers.	careers guidance	
		to explore	
	Independent careers advice	pathways and	
	Provides personalised	make informed	
	careers guidance to explore	decisions	
	pathways and make		
	informed decisions		

*Workplace Experience Visits are generated throughout the year.

4.2.2 Providers should contact The Academy's Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity.

4.2.3 The Academy's Safeguarding Policy sets out the Academy's approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to the students.

5 Premises and Facilities

- 5.1 The Academy will also make appropriate provision to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers' Leader or a member of their team before the presentation.
- 5.2 Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at Reception, so that any appropriate resources can made available to students.

6 Monitoring Arrangements

6.1 This policy, the information included, and its implementation will be monitored by the Governing Body and reviewed annually.