

St Benedict's Catholic College
Provider access policy statement – 2024/2025



Introduction

This policy statement sets out the arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at the college, for the purpose of providing them with information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the college's legal obligations under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997.

Student entitlement

All students in years 8 -11 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.

Management of provider access requests

A provider wishing to request access should contact Mrs A.Martin, Careers Officer
 Telephone: 01206 549222; Email: a.martin@stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk

Opportunities for access

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 8	Assemblies UNIFROG –What are my interests? Careers Fair	National Careers Week National Apprenticeships Week UNIFROG – Creating the life you want: making a vision board UNIFROG – GCSEs – Choices, Choices Pathways talks/evening Parents' evening Taster lessons	Assemblies UNIFROG – Careers library treasure hunt UNIFROG – Challenges and rewards of work
Year 9	Assemblies UNIFROG – What makes a great leader (we should remove this) UNIFROG – Explore your skills and competencies (we should remove this) UNIFROG – What are my skills? Career interviews in support of pathway changes Careers Fair	Assemblies National Careers Week National Apprenticeships Week UNIFROG – Subjects library treasure hunt (What careers are linked to your favourite subjects) (we should remove this) UNIFROG – What does success meant to me? Career interviews in support of pathway changes	Apprenticeship assembly UNIFROG – Identifying interests (we should remove this) UNIFROG – What is an entrepreneur? UNIFROG – Your skills, your team, your future Parents' evening

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Year 10	Assemblies UNIFROG – Careers library treasure hunt (we should remove this) UNIFROG – What type of careers is best for me? UNIFROG - CV writing (We should remove this) Careers Fair	National Careers Week National Apprenticeships Week UNIFROG - CV writing and Cover letters (we should remove this) UNIFROG – What comes after school: the main learning pathways	Assemblies Career talks/workshops UNIFROG – What makes a great team player? UNIFROG – Escape room (we should remove this) UNIFROG – CV writing & Cover Letters Career interviews for key groups of students Parents' evening Mock interview days
Year 11	Apprenticeships talk FE assemblies Parents' evening UNIFROG – Post 16 – Choices, Choices CV and Cover letters Career interviews (interventions) Year 11 information evening Post 16 provider open evenings: opportunities to visit local Further Education and Sixth Form Colleges and other training providers regarding A level, Applied General, technical and vocational and Apprenticeships Careers Fair	National Careers Week National Apprenticeships Week Assemblies	Confirmation of post 16 education destinations for all pupils

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

Dates will be updated annually at the beginning of each academic year.

Please speak to our careers leader and/or to our careers officer to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Careers Leader – Assistant Principal: Mr.P Cretu
 Telephone: 01206 549222; Email: p.cretu@stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk

Careers Officer – Mrs. A. Martin
 Telephone: 01206 549222; Email: a.martin@stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk

Premises and facilities

The college will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity.

The college will also make available screens and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the careers leader, the careers officer or their line manager.

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Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the Careers Resource Centre, which is managed by Mrs Martin, our careers officer.

The Careers Resource Centre, located in the Blyth building library, will be made available to students at lunch and break times.

Signed:

Prof. D Micklewright
Chair of Governors

Mrs J E Santinelli
Principal