



Provider Access Legislation

Under Section 42B of the Education Act 1997, as of 2 January 2018 and further updated 01 January 2023 we have a duty to provide students in Years 8-13 with access to providers of post-14, post-16 and post-18 education and training. This policy statement sets out how we manage access requests from these providers.

What are students entitled to?

Students must be allowed to:

- Learn more about technical education qualifications and apprenticeship opportunities, as part of a careers programme which informs students of the full range of education and training options available to them at each transition point. During the first key stage in Years 8 and 9, students will receive two encounters. This will be enhanced to offer at least a further two in Years 10 and 11. In Year 12 and 13, all students will be offered a further two encounters that are optional to attend.
- Hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities on offer, e.g. technical education and apprenticeships – this can be achieved through options evenings, assemblies, group discussions, and taster events.
- Understand how to apply to the full range of academic and technical courses available to them.

Who handles our access requests?

Any provider wishing to request access should contact Mrs Maggie Burton, Careers Lead on 01535 639775 or by email at m.burton@southcraven.org

What opportunities are provided to allow access to students?

Via our school careers programme, we offer providers numerous opportunities throughout the school year to speak to students and/or their parents. We host an annual Careers Showcase which includes local, regional and national employers and Further and Higher Education partnerships, employer led workshops, employer mock interviews & CEIAG assemblies.

We actively support and encourage students as follows:

Year 7

- Register on Unifrog
- Volunteer to help others
- Become an Accelerated Reader
- Become a form rep on the student council
- Represent the school e.g. in sport
- Help with Year 5 and Year 6 days
- Develop skills for life and learning
- Experience presentations from employers
- Get key advice on maximising your potential at SPM meetings
- Listen to employer-led assemblies
- Volunteer to lead the learning in lessons
- Attend the South Craven Careers Showcase

Year 8

- Become a form rep on the student council
- Consider possible future careers
- Reflect on future pathways (university, apprenticeships, colleges, Unifrog)
- Become a reception monitor
- Become a buddy for students new to the school
- Help with primary sports festivals
- Experience presentations from employers
- Listen to employer-led assemblies
- Attend the South Craven Careers Showcase
- Discuss your BTEC options
- Experience formal assessments and know how best to revise

Year 9

- Begin to write your CV
- Start some of your GCSE and BTEC options
- Prepare for a careers interview
- Sign up for a Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Discover the GCSE options process in assemblies
- Experience presentations from employers
- Offer to run an extracurricular activity
- Attend the South Craven Careers Showcase
- Attend the Year 9 Options event

- Finalise your GCSE choices and complete the options intentions form
- Listen to employer-led assemblies

Year 10

- Embed excellent study habits and get ahead with revision
- Apply your learning to the world of work by partaking in a week of work experience
- Research jobs and career entry routes
- Experience progression events as part of Activities Week
- Experience presentations from employers
- Consider the format of GCSE exams and refine your revision techniques
- Get key advice on maximising your potential at SPM meetings
- Sit the Year 10 exams
- Attend the South Craven Careers Showcase
- World of work workshops
- Listen to employer-led assemblies

Year 11

- Experience progression assemblies to let you know what's available
- Participate in the Year 11 Progression Event/Careers Showcase/taster sessions for post-16 courses
- Visit and research open days for post-16 transition, including at South Craven
- Refresh your CV and personal statement with Unifrog
- Improve your interview skills by attending employer-led mock interviews
- Benefit from a 1:1 progression meeting to help you identify the right pathway
- Listen to inspirational speakers and reflect on your own aspirations
- Get some key advice on maximising your potential at the Year 11 Consultation Evening
- Do some voluntary work/National Citizen Service
- Complete a period of additional work experience
- Listen to employer-led assemblies and CEIAG workshops
- Apply to a Sixth Form or college and attend interviews where needed

Year 12

- Apply to become a School Ambassador
- Visit and research universities/alternative post-16 courses
- Attend CEIAG workshops/assemblies
- Sign up for a Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Experience presentations from different employers
- Initiate and organise work experience
- Update your CV and personal statement ready for UCAS applications by using Unifrog
- Complete an EPQ or MOOC
- Apply to be on the Sixth Form Committee
- Attend the UCAS convention
- Apply for university summer schools
- Sit your mock A levels
- Help with the Sport Days during activities week
- Attend the South Craven Careers Showcase
- Work on your graduation/progression portfolio

Year 13

- Reflect on your mock results and plan positively for the remainder of the year
- Get some key advice on maximising your potential at the Year 13 Consultation Evening
- Apply for university/alternative post-16 courses
- Refine and perfect your revision and study habits
- Attend the South Craven Careers Showcase
- Attend CEIAG workshops/assemblies
- Participate in an employer interview
- Get key advice on maximising your potential at the SPM meetings
- Complete your graduation/progression portfolio
- Attend Year 13 Graduation
- Consider summer internships or voluntary work
- Confirm and accept your future pathway options once you have your results

Who should providers contact to discuss events and options?

Providers can speak to our Careers Lead, Maggie Burton on 01535 639775 or m.burton@southcraven.org.

Our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy set out the school's approach to allowing providers into school to speak to our students.

We will grant access requests that promote and increase the careers education, students' aspirations and awareness of the world of work across all year groups. Once we have approved a provider, we will work with them to identify the best method for providing access to our students. We will make areas of the school such as meeting or classrooms available to host careers and progression workshops.

We will provide AV equipment as needed for the duration of the workshops or presentations, arrangements will be discussed with a member of the careers team prior to the event.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus and other relevant materials with the school's Careers Lead for distribution and display in the Careers Hub.