# THE RODILLIAN ACADEMY ACCESS PROVIDER POLICY





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April 2021	1	New Policy Format created	

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# **Contacting the Academy to request access**

1. A provider wishing to request access should contact Martin Sandford, Assistant Head teacher, E-mail: msandford@rodillianacademy.co.uk

### Introduction

2. The Rodillian Multi Academy Trust ("the Trust") is a successful educational trust and all our students play their part in making it so. We are committed to providing a quality education for all our students this includes giving them opportunities to speak with other educational institutions and employers about opportunities open to them.

# Scope and purpose of this policy and who it applies to

- 3. This policy statement sets out the Academy's arrangements for managing the access of providers to students at the Academy for the purposes of giving them information about the provider's education or training offer. This complies with the Academy's legal obligations under <u>Section 42B</u> of the Education Act 1997.
- 4. This policy is aimed at ensuring 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 evenings, assemblies and group discussions and taster events.
- To understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

# **Publication of this Policy**

- 5. This policy will be available on the Trust and Academy websites and be available to all Parents, Carers, Students, Members of the public, Staff, Members, Trustees and Local Review Board Members.
- 6. Following any review of the policy resulting in an updated version being adopted by the Trust Board, staff will be advised by email/alert where they may access it and advised as to whether they are required provide confirmation that they have read the document via the Compliance Library.

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- 7. Appropriate training and guidance will be provided to staff by the Attendance and Welfare team regarding the implementation of the policy for appropriate staff in relation to any new or revised procedures and guidelines within an appropriate timescale.
- 8. Guidance on any aspect of this policy can be obtained from Martin Sandford whose email address is <a href="mailto:msandford@rodillianacademy.co.uk">msandford@rodillianacademy.co.uk</a>

# **Responsibility for this Policy**

9. The Trust Board has overall responsibility for the effective operation of this policy and for ensuring effective compliance. The Trust Board has delegated day to day responsibility for operating the policy to the Trust Executive, the Local Review Boards and the Principal at each Academy.

### Aim of this Policy

10. To ensure that students find out about technical educational qualifications, apprenticeship opportunities and education and training options available at transition points and understand how they can make applications for academic and technical courses.

# Management of provider access requests

### **Procedure**

11. A provider wishing to request access should contact Martin Sandford, Assistant Head teacher <a href="msandford@rodillianacademy.co.uk">msandford@rodillianacademy.co.uk</a>

# **Opportunities for access**

- 12. 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 please see Annual Calendar of Events.
- 13. Please speak to our named Careers Co-ordinator to identify the most suitable opportunity for you. The Academy's policy on safeguarding sets out the approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our students. The Safeguarding Policy is available on our website www.rodillianacademytrust.co.uk

### **Premises and facilities**

14. The Academy will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. We will also make available Audio Visual and other specialist equipment 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 with our Careers Leader who will distribute the relevant information to students.

Person Responsible: Martin Sandford, Assistant Headteacher

**Table 1- Annual Calendar of Events** 

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Yr. 7& 8	<ul> <li>Introduction to Uniforg through the aspirational curriculum</li> <li>Exploration of potential career sectors</li> <li>Year 8 Careers education in resilience Camp week</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Introduction to Uniforg through the aspirational curriculum</li> <li>Exploration of potential career sectors</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Introduction to Uniforg through the aspirational curriculum</li> <li>Exploration of potential career sectors</li> </ul>
Yr. 9	Wider use of Unifrog to broaden career aspirations through the aspirational curriculum	<ul> <li>Wider use of Unifrog to broaden career aspirations through the aspirational curriculum</li> <li>Key Stage 4 Options Evening</li> <li>Careers Fair with post 16 providers and career sectors in the West Yorkshire region</li> </ul>	Wider use of Unifrog to broaden career aspirations through the aspirational curriculum
Yr. 10	<ul> <li>Wider use of Unifrog to guide and educate future career intentions</li> <li>Widening participation University visits fir identified cohorts to universities in West, South and North Yorkshire</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Wider use of Unifrog to guide and educate future career intentions</li> <li>Widening participation University visits</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Wider use of Unifrog to guide and educate future career intentions</li> <li>Widening participation University visits</li> </ul>
Yr. 11	<ul> <li>Preparing personal statements for possible Post 16 applications</li> <li>Search Post 16 options – introduction to the range of providers in FE</li> <li>Post 16 Open Evening</li> <li>Skills Yorkshire Fair for all Year 11</li> <li>Post 16 interviews regarding destinations</li> <li>Optional Post 16 parental &amp; student interviews for Post 16 destinations – advice and guidance</li> <li>Invitation to all Year 11 to participate in the National Citizens Service (NCS) to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Leeds Apprenticeship Hub presentation to all Year 11 (Simon Hewittson)</li> <li>Invitation to the Leeds Apprenticeship Fayre at Leeds Arena</li> <li>NEET identified –further guidance and assistance provided through school liaison contacts at Wakefield &amp; Leeds City College</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Assistance and guidance with destinations post GCSE results</li> <li>GCSE 'Where now' provided by Leeds City College</li> <li>NEET identified –further guidance and assistance provided through school liaison contacts at Wakefield &amp; Leeds City College</li> </ul>

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	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
	broaden employability and personal skills		
Yr. 12	<ul> <li>Identification of students and application to Social mobility programme</li> <li>Identification of students for the Career Ready programme</li> <li>Identification of students for young Doctors programme</li> <li>Identification of students and application for Realising Opportunities Programme.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Step into University study skills programme</li> <li>1 to1 university/UCAS guidance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>1 to1 university/UCAS guidance</li> <li>University fayre at Leeds Metropolitan University</li> <li>Student finance presentation</li> <li>Applying to University</li> <li>Engie business interviews</li> </ul>
Yr. 13	<ul><li>University open days</li><li>1 to1 university/UCAS guidance</li></ul>	Engie business interviews.	Post exam results     assistance/clearing process

# **Monitoring**

15. The Assistant Head teacher for Student Experience will monitor the implementation and effectiveness of the policy. They will monitor the relevant legislation, guidelines and information forthcoming from the relevant statutory sources, for any recommendation or changes. There will be a full review of the Policy by by the stated review date where recommendations will be made for consideration by the Trust Board.

# **Appendix 1 - Equality Impact Assessment**

1. Title: <<Policy Title>>

# **Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Screening**

As a Trust via the public authority we need to ensure that all our strategies, policies, service and functions, both current and proposed have given proper consideration to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration. Please also take due regard of Equalities considerations.

A **screening** process can help judge relevance and provides a record of both the **process** and **decision**. Screening should be a short, sharp exercise that determines relevance for all new and revised strategies, policies, services and functions. Completed at the earliest opportunity it will help to determine:

- the relevance of proposals and decisions to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.
- whether or not equality, diversity, cohesion and integration is being/has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an impact assessment.

Organisation:	Department responsible for the Policy:	
Rodillian Multi- Academy Trust	Attendance	
Lead Person:	msandford@rodillianacademy.co.uk	
Christopher McColl		

Is this a:
X Policy
If other, please specify
2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening
Policy

# 3. Relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration

All the Trust's policies affect service users, employees or the wider community. These will also have a greater/lesser relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.

The following questions will help you to identify how relevant your proposals are.

When considering these questions think about age, carers, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation and any other relevant characteristics (for example socio-economic status, social class, income, unemployment, residential location or family background and education or skills levels).

Questions	Yes	No
Is there an existing or likely differential impact for the different equality		/
characteristics?		
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns about the Policy or		/
proposal?		

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Could the proposal affect how services are organised, provided, located	/
and by whom?	
Could the proposal affect our workforce or employment practices?	/
Does the proposal involve or will it have an impact on?	/
Eliminating unlawful discrimination, victimisation and harassment	
Advancing equality of opportunity	
Fostering good relations	

# 4. Considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration

If you can demonstrate you have considered how your proposals impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration you have carried out an impact assessment.

Please provide specific details for all three areas below (use the prompts for guidance).

- Scope of the proposal all students.
- Who is likely to be affected students.
- Equality related information is held on individual academy and Trust records and gathered through Equal Opportunities Monitoring Forms.
- Gaps in information and plans to address the Trust intends to work to further improve processes relating to the gathering of equality related information across the organisation.
- Consultation and engagement activities with those likely to be affected ongoing feedback from students, the Policy is made available to staff and is on our website.

# Key findings

We have considered the potential positive and negative impact on different equality characteristics in relation to the Policy and do not believe that any groups will be adversely affected. The HR Team is vigilant in adhering to the appropriate legislation in relation to protected characteristics and to preventing discrimination. Managers are supported and trained in relation to these areas.

The Policy has taken into account religious, racial and gender-specific clothing requirements and those of staff with disabilities in line with the Equality Act.

We have considered the perception that the proposal could benefit one group at the expense of another and we do not believe that the Policy could be perceived to be discriminatory with regards to its wording or format.

# Actions

The Trust will continue to promote positive impact and remove/reduce negative impact through the application of this Policy within the organisation.

5. Governance, ownership and approval		
Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening		
Name Job title Date		
Adam Marham	Head of Governance and	26 April 2021
	Compliance	

6. Publishing		
This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given.		
Date screening completed 26 April 2021		
Date agreed at Trust Board	4 May 2021	