



## **Baker Clause Policy Statement**

### **Access to approved technical education qualifications or apprenticeships at Longsands Academy.**

As part of our commitment to informing our students of the full range of learning and training pathways on offer to them, we will consider requests from approved training, apprenticeship and vocational education providers to speak to students.

#### **Pupil entitlement**

All pupils in years 8-13 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.

We also proactively seek to build relationships with such partners as we plan our careers Information and guidance throughout the school year to ensure that providers have opportunities to speak to students and their parents in Years 7-11, to offer information on vocational, technical and apprenticeship qualifications and pathways.

#### **Management of provider access requests**

##### **Procedure**

A provider wishing to request access should contact Kate Martindale, Careers Lead, [kate.martindale@astrea-longsands.org](mailto:kate.martindale@astrea-longsands.org) with a minimum of six weeks' notice. The request should include:

- The proposed format, timings and duration of the request;
- The number of staff from your organisation who propose to visit;
- Any support requirements of the school.

All requests will be considered on the basis of:

- Clashes with other planned activity, trips or visits to the Academy;
- Interruption to preparation for examinations; and
- Availability of Academy staff, space and resources to host the activity.

### **Opportunities for access**

Opportunities for providers to speak with students might include school assemblies, employer and provider engagement events or opportunities to speak with students and parents on a one-to-one basis supporting GCSE, post-16 or post-18 option choices. Please refer to our Careers Framework for further details.

The Principal may – at his/her discretion – refuse a request if it would be likely to be detrimental to the safety or wellbeing of children or staff, or if granting the request would be likely to bring the Academy or the Trust into disrepute.

### **Premises and facilities**

If a request is granted, the provider will have access to:

- A large room within the school (for example, the hall or gym);
- Audio-visual equipment, including a laptop-suitable projector or interactive board;
- Pens, paper and pencils as required;
- At least one member of Academy staff.

If you have any questions, please contact the email address above.