

Tavistock College

Application for Provider Access (updated January 2023)

This document sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of training providers to students at 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. It is updated to take into consideration new legislation coming into force in January 2023

Student entitlement:

All students in years 7-13 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.

In addition, from January 2023:

Tavistock College will ensure that all students during the 'first key phase' (year 8 or 9) have at least two, meaningful and mandatory encounters with the providers of technical education or apprenticeships (These may take place throughout year 8 or between 1st September and 28th February in year 9)

Tavistock College will ensure all students during the 'second key phase' (year 10 and 11) have at least two meaningful and mandatory encounters with the providers of technical education or apprenticeships (These may take place throughout year 10 or between 1st September and 28th February in year 11).

Management of Provider Access Requests Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Mr James Stroud
– Assistant Principal and Careers Lead

Email: J.Stroud@tavistockcollege.org

Telephone: [01822 614231](tel:01822614231)

Opportunities for access

The school offers a comprehensive Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance programme and an overview of this can be seen in the School's Career policy which can be seen on the school website.

- The school will make a suitable space available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity and as fits in with the timetabled demands for each student. These encounters will be held in accordance with the school safeguarding policy for the protection of visitors and students. This is available on the school website.
- The school welcomes live, virtual opportunities and will endeavour to make these available to students.
- The school will also make available ICT and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Career Advisor or a member of their team - and in accordance with the school IT policy.
- Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature with the Career Advisor so that they can be displayed in the Career Section of the school library and at other times and places which are appropriate and meaningful such as during parent evenings.

Please note that encounters between provider and students should include:

- Basic information about the provider, the approved technical qualifications or apprenticeships offered by the provider
- Information about the careers these qualifications might lead on to
- A resume of the learning/training provided
- Opportunities for students to ask and have answered any questions

Examples of Recent Encounters between providers and students at Tavistock

- Taster Events at local FE colleges which included talks on courses, apprenticeships and student life – all year 10 students – summer 2022
- Block Work Experience – 95% year 10 students - summer 2022
- Local FE college delivered employability workshops to all year 8 students –autumn 2022
- Sixth Form talks to small groups of year 11s – autumn 2022
- Interviews with SLT regarding destination.
- SEND student interviews with the inclusion team.

Coming up:

- University visits
- Work Experience interviews – Year 10 students
- DMAT Careers Fair – Years 9-13
- Mock interviews – Year 11 students and selected local businesses

Students leaving Tavistock College have progressed onto a wide variety of FE destinations and courses, including technical and vocational.

Destinations include:

- Oxbridge universities and Russel groups
- Exeter College
- Cornwall College Group
- City College
- Armed Forces
- Exeter Maths School

Courses include:

- A-level
- T-Levels
- Apprenticeships
- BTech

Any complaint by a provider should be addressed to: James Stroud in the first instance (j.stroud@tavistockcollege.org).