





Provider Access Policy

North East Futures UTC has been established to change the education, skills and employment paradigm in our IT and Healthcare Science sectors in the North East. It provides the opportunity for young people from all the communities in this region to benefit from its specialist provision.

Local Governors and all the North East Futures staff are committed to a policy of equality and aim to ensure that all students, employees, job applicants, other member of the school community and visitors are treated fairly and with respect.

We aim to give equal access to the high quality educational opportunities we provide and to ensure that everyone feels that they are a valued member of the school community. We seek to create a safe and happy environment where all our students can flourish and where social and cultural diversity are celebrated.

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By Michael Whitaker	
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Introduction

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

Student entitlement:

All students (in Years 10-13) 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.

Management of provider access requests - Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact the North East Futures UTC's reception (<mailto:office@nefuturesutc.co.uk> or 0191 9179888) and ask to contact the Admissions Manager

Opportunities for access

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

This will be integrated into a wider careers plan or strategy for North East Futures UTC.

Premises and facilities

North East Futures UTC will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The UTC will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations (these should not be on memory sticks or portable storage devices). This will all be discussed and agreed in advance of the visit with the Careers Leader or a member of their team.

Providers are welcome to leave a copy of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at reception and it will be made available to students in the relevant year group.

Monitoring and Evaluation

The Local Governing Board and Principal will monitor the operation and effectiveness of North East Futures UTC's Policy Statement on Provider Access.