

Tendring Technology College: Provider Access Policy

Link:

[Department of Education, July 2021: “Baker Clause” and the Provider Access Legislation, January 2023](#)

Ownership: Tendring Technology College, an AET School

Date updated: September 2023

Rationale

High quality careers education and guidance in school or college is critical to young people's futures. It helps to prepare them for the workplace by providing a clear understanding of the world of work including the routes to jobs and careers that they might find engaging and rewarding. It supports them to acquire the self-development and career management skills they need to achieve positive employment destinations. This helps students to choose their pathways, improve their life opportunities and contribute to a productive and successful economy.

As the number of apprenticeships rises every year, it becomes increasingly important that all young people have a full understanding of all the options available to them post-16 and post-18 including wider technical education options such as T-Levels and Higher Technical Qualifications.

Commitment

Tendring Technology College is committed to ensuring there is an opportunity for a range of education and training providers to access students, for the purpose of informing them about approved technical education qualifications and apprenticeships. Tendring Technology College is fully aware of the responsibility to set students on the path that will secure the best outcome which will enable them to progress in education and work and give employers the highly skilled people they need. That means acting impartially, in line with the statutory duty, and not showing bias towards any route, be that academic or technical.

Tendring Technology College endeavours to ensure that all students are aware of all routes to higher skills and are able to access information on technical options and apprenticeships (The Department of Education, July 2021: “Baker Clause”: supporting students to understand the full range of education and training options, and the Provider Access Legislation, January 2023).

Aims

Tendring Technology College' policy for Access to other education and training providers has the following aims:

- To develop the knowledge and awareness of our students of all career pathways available to them, including technical qualifications and apprenticeships.
- To support young people to be able to learn more about opportunities for education and training outside of school before making crucial choices about their future options.
- To reduce drop out from courses and avoid the risk of students becoming NEET (Young people not in education, employment or training).

Student Entitlement

Tendring Technology College fully supports the statutory requirement for students to have direct access to other providers of further education training, technical training and apprenticeships. The school will comply with the new legal requirement to put on at least six encounters with providers of approved technical education qualifications or apprenticeships. This will be done in assemblies in National Apprenticeship Week and National Careers Week, in addition to providers attending careers events at school or at each Trust school. Please amend to be reflective of your own Careers programme activities.

Development

This policy has been developed and is reviewed annually by the Careers Leader and Line Manager (Richard Rodd) based on current good practice guidelines by the Department for Education.

Links with other policies

It supports and is underpinned by key school policies including those for Careers, Child Protection, Equality and Diversity, and SEND.

Equality and Diversity

Access to other providers is available and promoted to allow all students to access information about other providers of further education and apprenticeships. Tendring Technology College is committed to encouraging all students to make decisions about their future based on impartial information.

Requests for access

Requests for access should be directed to Mrs H Gleave, Careers Leader. Mrs Gleave may be contacted by telephone or email: tccareers@tendringtechnologycollege.org, Tel 01255 672116.

Grounds for granting requests for access

Access will be given for providers to attend during school assemblies, timetabled Careers or Life lessons, and Careers or Raising Aspirations events that Tendring Technology College is arranging. Students may also travel to visit another provider as part of the trip to be organised in partnership with Tendring Technology College or AET.

Details of premises or facilities to be provided to a person who is given access

Tendring Technology College will provide an appropriate room or assembly hall to be agreed. All rooms have computers, projectors and screens provided. Computer rooms can also be arranged. The Careers Leader or Careers Adviser will organise this, working closely with the provider to ensure the facilities are appropriate to the audience. Appropriate safeguarding checks will be carried out. Providers will be met and supervised by a member of the Careers Team who will facilitate.

Live/Virtual encounters

Tendring Technology College will consider live online encounters with providers where requested, and these may be broadcast into classrooms or the school assembly hall. Technology checks in advance will be required to ensure compatibility of systems.

Parents and Carers

Parental involvement is encouraged, and parents may be invited, at times, to attend some events to meet the providers.

Management

The Careers Leader coordinates all provider requests and is responsible to her senior management line manager.

Complaints Procedure

Any complaints with regards to provider access can be raised following the school complaints procedure. Any complaints about this policy should be raised to Mrs H Gleave, email: ttccareers@tendringtechnologycollege.org. Mrs Gleave will raise the complaint to Tom Burt, Principal of Tendring Technology College.

Monitoring review and evaluation

The Policy is monitored and evaluated annually via the Senior Leadership Team.

Policy Coordinator: Mrs H Gleave

Policy Reviewed: September 2023

Appendix

Providers who have been invited into Tendring Technology College to date include:

- Colchester Institute
- Sigma Trust - Philip Morant
- Suffolk New College
- Suffolk One
- The Aim Group
- The British Army
- The Royal Navy
- Writtle College

Destinations of previous students from Tendring Technology College:

- Clacton Coastal Academy
- Colchester Grammar School
- Colchester Institute
- Colchester Sixth Form
- Sigma Sixth
- Sudbury Football Academy
- Blackpool & Flyde College Bispham Campus
- MV16 Melton Vale Sixth Form
- Needham Market Football Academy
- Suffolk New College
- Chelmsford College
- Fashion Retail Academy
- Loughborough College
- Shoeburyness High School
- New Rickstones College - Witham
- Marketfield College

Last year our year 11 students moved to a range of providers in the local area after school:

Destination	Total	Proportion
Other Sixth Form / Sixth Form College	85	28.8%
Sixth Form - Own	83	28.1%
FE College	87	29.5%
Unknown/NEET (UNEET)	5	1.7%
Apprenticeship	13	4.4%
Sport Academy	9	3.1%
Armed Forces	2	0.7%
Employment - With Training	3	1.0%
Sixth Form - Grammar	2	0.7%
Traineeship	6	2.0%

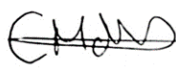
Last year our year 13 students moved onto a range of providers after school:

Destination	Total	Proportion
Apprenticeship	8	12.5%
Employment	22	34.4%
FE College	7	10.9%
Gap Year	2	3.1%
University	24	37.5%
Unknown/NEET (UNEET)	1	1.6%

Approval and review

This policy is reviewed annually in discussion with staff and external partners and key priorities for action are identified and included in the College Improvement Plan.

Effective from: September 2023

Approved by:  C McWilliam (Link Governor)

Review date: **September 2024**

Review leader: HGI/RRd