St Edward's Church of England Academy

Learn for Life

Provider Access Policy

Approved by Governors:

Non Statutory

The Vision for Education within a Church of England Academy

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There are fundamental reasons, rooted in the Bible, which have motivated centuries of Christian involvement in schooling in this country and around the world. The God of all creation is concerned with everything related to education.

There is a fresh articulation of the Church of England's vision for education as we meet the challenges and take the opportunities offered by the present situation. It is not simply for Church schools but, recognising the Church of England's involvement in education over many centuries, seeks to promote educational excellence everywhere, for everyone. In Church schools like St Edward's Church of England Academy, the deeply Christian foundation for this vision will be seen explicitly in teaching and learning both in RE and across the curriculum, and also in the authentically Christian worship and ethos. The Church's vision for education can be expressed and promoted as one of human flourishing that inspires what the school is and does.

The vision is deeply Christian, with the promise by Jesus of 'life in all its fullness' at its heart. This vision embraces the spiritual, physical, intellectual, emotional, moral and social development of children and young people. We offer a vision of human flourishing for all, one that embraces excellence and academic rigour, but set them in a wider framework. This is worked out theologically and educationally through four basic elements which permeate our vision for education:

- Wisdom
- Hope
- Community
- Dignity

The vision, in line with the Church of England's role as the established Church, is for the common good of the whole human community and its environment, whether national, regional or local. It is hospitable to diversity, respects freedom of religion and belief, and encourages others to contribute from the depths of their own traditions and understandings. It invites collaboration, alliances, negotiation of differences, and the forming of new settlements in order to serve the flourishing of a healthily plural society and democracy, together with a healthily plural educational system.

St Edward's Church of England Academy Ethos and Values

The ethos and values of St Edward's Church of England Academy are based on the teachings of Jesus Christ and underpin everything that we are and do, which is encompassed in the word 'RESPECT'.

Each letter links to the Academy motto – *Learn for Life*

'Learn for Life'

- o **R**ecognise and **E**ncourage - everyone's potential, individual skills and talents
- o **St**rive to be the best we can be
- o **P**repare for the challenges of life
- o **E**mpathise - promoting the values of respect, kindness, compassion, fairness, forgiveness, love, honesty and trust
- o **C**hristian – a community where we learn from the teachings of Jesus so that we can contribute to the family of St Edward's and beyond
- o **T**eamwork – an environment where we work together so we can all achieve our potential

This policy statement sets out the school's arrangements for managing the access of providers to pupils 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.

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.

Management of provider access requests

Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact Rebecca Rose,
Telephone: 01538 714740; Email: office@st-edwards.staffs.sch.uk
Opportunities for access

Please speak to our Careers Leader to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Premises and facilities

The school will make the main hall, classrooms or private meeting rooms available for discussions between the provider and students, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. 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 the Careers Resource Centre, which is managed by the school librarian. The Resource Centre is available to all students at lunch and break times.

Approval and review

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 5	• Visits from Croda – Science (STEM and local business)	• Visits from Croda – Science (STEM and local business) • STEM activity Manchester Uni	• Visits from Croda – Science (STEM and local business)
Year 6			
Year 7		• Assembly and tutor time presentations on career options	• Careers pathways activity – Eureka Day
Year 8	• Curriculum Enrichment option – Business Enterprise • STEM – Croda visit (science, local business)	• National Enterprise Challenge • Curriculum Enrichment option – Business Enterprise • STEM – Croda visit (science, local business) • Keele University Maths masterclasses • Salters Chemistry (STEM) activity • Assembly and tutor time presentations on career options	• Careers fair Pathways to local jobs and career pathways • Curriculum Enrichment option – Business Enterprise • STEM – Croda visit (science, local business)