

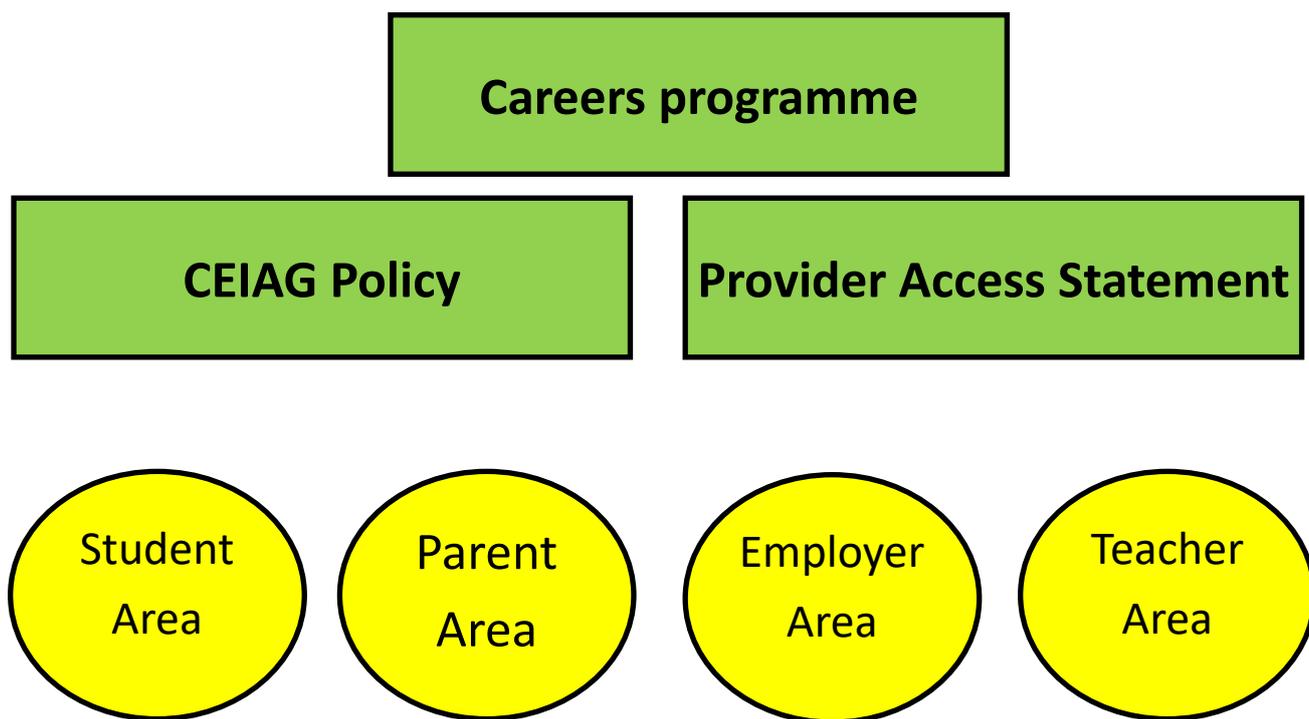
Careers

At Perryfields High school, we are passionate about supporting students through the process of deciding the direction they take after finishing school. We are committed to providing a robust careers programme across both key stages that prepares our young people for a successful transition into adulthood.

With the help of Connexions, we provide impartial guidance and advice on further education, training or employment.

Across both KS3 and KS4 students have the opportunity to learn about different career paths with the help of many outside agencies such as employers and education providers.

Our Careers Leader is Mrs K Wallis. If you have any queries or questions about careers, higher education or getting involves please contact her on 0121 421 7979 or Kayleigh.wallis@perrys.org.uk



Student Area

My careers learning journey (to be created)

Explore different roles and the job market

Watch videos about jobs

Read about different jobs

Learn about 350 jobs in the NHS

Take this quiz to find a suited job

Find out about west midlands jobs

Learn about job trends in the UK

Find out about courses and pathways

[Info about apprenticeships](#)

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Build your skills and strengths

[Take this personality quiz](#)

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Helpful guides

[CV builder](#)

[CV writing guide](#)

[Personal statement writing guide](#)

Parent/Carer Area

This section of Perryfields school website is aimed at helping parents and carers source information to help support young people in their future decisions.

Below you will find three helpful sections; information about education options, types of jobs and local opportunities

Education options

There are a variety of education routes available to students when they leave Perryfields high school. Click each button to find out more:

[Apprenticeships](#)

[Further Education](#)

[University](#)

[Alternative Providers](#)

Types of jobs

Students who have ideas about what they want to do after they leave Perryfields may find it easier to plan their next steps. To help students and parents get an idea of what jobs are out there, we suggest looking at these websites:

[Careerpilot](#)

[National Careers Service](#)

[ICould](#)

Local opportunities

Thanks to the development in technology, there are now lots of jobs that did not exist 10 years ago. It is important to keep up to date with what is happening locally and nationally

[Jobs that didn't exist 10 years ago](#)

[Black Country Labour Market Information](#)

[Jobs postings Black Country](#)

Get Involved

Perryfields High School work with a number of businesses who support our careers programme. If you or your business would like to support our activities in the future please email; careers@perrys.org.uk

Local Businesses—we need your expertise

At Perryfields we need your help to raise our students' careers aspirations, develop their employability skills and learn more about the exciting and diverse industries within the Black Country.

Inspire our young people

By contributing time to help support Perryfield's Careers programme, you are helping to inspire young minds. Through contributing your time and expertise you are providing our students with opportunities which will contribute to an excellent careers programme as set out by the [Gatsby Foundation's eight Benchmarks](#) and [the Careers and Enterprise Company](#).

Ways to support:

- Be part of mock interviews with our Year 11 students and help them structure their CV's
- Get involved in extracurricular clubs
- Give a talk about your industry or job role
- Get involved in Workplace Wednesday and tell our students what your industry could offer them
- Run a hands-on workshop with activities relating to your area of expertise
- Give an assembly talk about pathways after school eg apprenticeships
- Help challenge barriers in the workplace through talks about gender stereotyping or disability etc
- Link with subjects that are related to your area of industry
- Offer work placements for our students

What to expect from us

By getting involved with our careers programme at Perryfields you will not only be supporting future workforce development, you will also be forging community links and building a positive profile for your company

We will support you throughout your visit to us to ensure we maximise the use of your valuable time. Our Careers Leader is Mrs Kayleigh Wallis (Kayleigh.wallis@perrys.org.uk) and they will:

- Be your main point of contact for all enquires
- Organise pre-meets, discussions, and any information you require
- Provide you with details of local arrangements such as parking, facilities and our safeguarding policy
- Conduct a short evaluation with you
- With your permission, add you to our network and keep you up to date with future activities.

If you need any more information, please do get in touch!

Teacher Area

The NHS is the UK's biggest employer. Approximately 126,000 staff are employed by the NHS in the West Midlands

445,952 people are in employment in the Black Country

In Sandwell the largest industry is retail which employs 23,000 people (19% of workforce)

Perryfields is committed to providing a robust careers programme across both key stages preparing young people for a successful transition into adulthood. We consign to statutory duty allowing students to have access to quality information, advice and guidance and ensuring all our students transition on to further education, employment or training. The advice given promotes the best interests of the students and supports inspiration and independence.

Perryfields aims to meet all eight [Benchmarks](#) identified by the [Gatsby Foundation](#)

Embedded Video— <https://youtu.be/DH8zNcp4uEI>

At Perryfields we would like all subject areas to do the following:

- Record career learning opportunities into your scheme of work
- Take part in career related events such as National Careers Week or Skills Day—linking them into your lessons
- Nominate a Careers Champion from your department to liaise with the Careers Leader and keep up to date with the Benchmarks
- Have displays that link subject learning and skills to different careers
- Develop links with businesses and organisations
- Invite alumni and external speakers to come into school—this can be done virtually
- Plan trips and offsite activities linked to careers
- When organising trips, plan in time to speak to employees about their job role
- Organise activities and projects/challenges that make use of local business -
- Challenge stereotyping in the workplace including gender and disability

Subject teachers will be supported to develop and integrate careers learning into their schemes of learning through CPD sessions.

Useful Websites:

[National careers service](#)

[I could](#)

[Career Pilot](#)

[LMI Black Country](#)

[Gatsby Benchmark 4](#)

[Careers Inspiration](#)

[Black Country Annual Economic Review](#)