UK high school year

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High school year programmes in the UK are a popular option for international students, both for brushing up on essential English language skills in an intensive setting and also for gaining a good academic grounding for future educational endeavours.

Many schools and colleges welcome international students, either on short-term 'taster' sessions or long-term programmes ending in examinations, such as GCSEs, A-levels or the International Baccalaureate.

						Int. student age range		Type of school									Entry requirements				Accommodation options			Fee includes			
Location	Name of school	Total number of students	% overseas students	Minimum	Maximum	Private (independent)	Government-run	Boys only	Girls only	Co-educational	Min. length of stay	Int. study centre/ESL dep.	Min. hours language tuition p/w	Max. students in ESL classes	Min. lang. proficiency required	Good school reports	Interview	English test	Entrance exam	Host family	Residential/shared	Residential/single	Min. fee per term (US$)	Accommodation	All meals	All activities	Agency commission (%)
Brighton	St Mary's Hall	310	24	8	18	●			●		1 wk	●	3.5	10	b	●		●	●		●	●	10,115	●	●		10
Brighton	Varndean College	1,150	4	16	20	●				●	1 yr	●	4.5	–	i	●	●	●	●	●			req				15
Bristol	Badminton School	400	20	10	18	●			●		12 wks	●	v	2	i				●		●	●	12,190	●	●	●	10
Bruton	Bruton School for Girls	400	15	11	18	●			●		6 wks	●	v	4	i	●	●	●	●		●	●	req	●	●		10
Cannock	Chase Academy	295	30	11	19	●				●	1 yr	●	–	16	b	●				●	●	●	7,380	●	●	●	✓
Croydon	Cambridge Tutors College	300	85	15	21	●				●	1 yr	●	3	6	i	●	●	●	●	●			9,551	●	●	●	10*
Fleetwood	Rossall School	800	15	11	17	●				●	6 wks	●	10	15	b	●	●	●			●	●	9,217	●	●	●	✓
Haslemere	The Royal School	400	10	7	17	●			●		4 wks	●	15	5	n	●	●				●	●	12,504	●	●	●	10
Kingston	Marymount International Sch.	240	70	11	18	●			●		12 wks	●	v	8	n	●	●				●		12,591	●	●	●	10
London	St Dunstan's College	950	3	15	19	●				●	15 wks				a	●	●			●			req				10
Market Harborough	Brooke House College	150	95	13	20	●				●	10 wks	●	6	12	n	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	9,812	●	●	●	10
Norwich	Hethersett Old Hall School	231	7	11	18	●			●		12 wks	●	v	6	b	●		●			●	●	10,246	●	●		10
Oxford	d'Overbroeck's College	210	35	15	21	●				●	12 wks	●	2	10	i	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	8,422			●	10-15*
Reading	Padworth College	100	70	13	19	●				●	12 wks	●	21	12	n	●	●				●	●	10,767	●	●	●	✓
Steyning	The Towers Convent School	258	–	9	16	●			●		12 wks	●	1	2	e	●						●	5,557	●	●		10
Wantage	St Mary's School	173	15	11	20	●			●		12 wks	●	v	v	v	●	●				●	●	12,729	●	●		10
Windlesham	Woodcote House School	100	8	8	13	●		●			1 yr	●	6	2	b	●	●				●		7,945	●	●	●	5
Winscombe	Sidcot School	500	17	9	19	●				●	8 wks	●	4	10	e	●	●	●	●		●	●	req	●	●	●	✓
Worthing	Worthing College	1,315	5	16	20		●			●	12 wks	●	4.5	17	i			●		●			3,908				15*
York	Queen Ethelburga's College	530	20	6	20	●				●	1 yr	●	v	10	e	●		●			●	●	req	●	●		15

a** advanced **b** beginners **e** elementary **i** intermediate **–** information not supplied **n** none **req** on request **v** varies ** on tuition only*

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The table above is a general guide only to a selection of schools in the UK offering high school programmes for international students. All facts should be checked with the individual schools listed. For a school's contact details, please email us with its name, location and the reference: "Course Guide APR/06"

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