

Ratcliffe College



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Aims and ethos

Ratcliffe College is a co-educational boarding and day school for about 800 students aged 3–18, with boarding available from age 9 to 18. The school is set within 200 acres of beautiful grounds seven miles north of Leicester and within easy reach of airports and motorways. Whilst we are a Catholic school, children of other denominations and faiths are welcome. We place great emphasis on the development of the whole person.

Examination results are excellent – in 2015, 75% 'A' Level grades were at A*, A and B grades, and most students progress onto their first choice of top university. For the first time in the School's history, the latest ISI inspection in March 2015 judged the School to be 'Excellent' in all nine categories.

Curriculum

A wide range of GCSE and A-level subjects are available and students are encouraged to achieve their best in a friendly, positive learning environment. Those who can gain the highest grades will be stretched and given every opportunity to shine, but equally we foster a sense of pride and achievement in all our students. Most students go on to their first-choice university after completing their A-levels.

Extracurricular activities

Students' talents and interests are developed through an extensive programme of activities including rugby, hockey, cricket, swimming, football, rounders and fencing. Many students learn to play a musical instrument and there are choirs and bands to join. Drama, film-making, the Combined Cadet Force and Duke of Edinburgh's Award are also popular.



Facilities

These include a Chapel; an outstanding Sixth Form Centre; high-quality boarding accommodation; sports hall; indoor swimming pool; floodlit all-weather pitch; tennis and netball courts; theatre; ICT suites; art and design centre; squash courts; and conference facilities. In September 2014, a new £4.5m Preparatory School building was opened, with 12 classrooms are located over two floors, as well as a dedicated technology and languages centre, science and food technology laboratory, arts and crafts room, performing arts centre, library and central assembly hall.

Boarding

Separate boys' and girls' houses. Years 11–13 have their own modern room; younger boarders share rooms of no more than three. The boarding Housemaster and Housemistress reside on site, with their own families, thereby helping create a family atmosphere. Ratcliffe College offers an outstanding boarding community, enjoying a comprehensive programme of activities and trips, arranged for evenings and weekends.

Scholarships

A range of scholarships recognising academic, sporting, musical, dramatic and artistic talent amongst applicants are offered on entry to Year 7, Year 9 and the Sixth Form. A limited number of Bursaries are available, mainly on entry to Year 7, as well as discount for HM Armed Forces families. Further details can be obtained from the Registrar.

The broad and balanced curriculum aims to identify and provide for individual needs, and recognise and encourage individual talents.

Key facts

Type of school Co-educational boarding 9–18 and day 3–18

Age range 3–18

Number of pupils 800

Number of boarders 110

Teacher/pupil ratio 1:10

Religious tradition Roman Catholic

Fees per term Full boarding £7,923 (UK students), £9,098 (overseas students – includes costs of boarding weekend trips and EAL teaching where necessary); Weekly boarding £6,311–£7,063; Day £2,811–£5,079

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