



CAMPBELL COLLEGE

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Boarding

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Campbell College was established in 1894 and sits in a stunning 100-acre woodland estate on the outskirts of Belfast in Northern Ireland. Welcoming boys from three to 18, Campbell College is recognised as one of the leading boarding schools in the UK and on the island of Ireland. With a strong academic track record and an impressive sports pedigree the College emphasises the importance of the individual. The message ‘inspiring individuals to be the best they can be’ sits at the heart of the ethos of the College. Recently listed by the Good Schools Guide UK as one of the top 10 best value boarding schools across the UK, Campbell provides an exceptional boarding experience at an affordable fee. Our location in Northern Ireland grants our pupils the benefits of a strong UK education underpinned by a warmth that is synonymous with Ireland.

Why Northern Ireland?

Northern Ireland lies within the United Kingdom. Study in Northern Ireland and you will benefit from the highest standards of education in a compact, tight-knit and family-based society.

The magic of Northern Ireland can be found in both the landscape and the people. Stunning coastlines, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, historic villages and more are all within easy reach of Belfast. Northern Ireland people are amongst the friendliest and happiest you can meet. In fact, according to the Office of National Statistics (ONS), Northern Ireland ranked the highest in the UK in terms of life satisfaction and happiness! In addition, the vibrant cultural life of Belfast city centre and two world-class universities are on your doorstep.

The George Best Belfast City Airport is located five minutes away by taxi and Belfast International Airport just 30 minutes. The College is easy to reach from the whole of the United Kingdom in just over one hour by aeroplane and it offers impressive facilities and a very affordable option for boarding in the United Kingdom.





Why Boarding?

Boarding allows students to develop more of their potential. With the availability of excellent facilities and constant access to staff, but without a daily commute, boarders can get more done; their days are longer and their weeks are fuller.

Boarding allows students to grow in confidence as they take responsibility for the decisions they make, independently of their parents. They learn to be considerate and respectful of different opinions, as well as looking out for those who live around them.

Friendships formed at boarding school are often lifelong. What is more, relationships at home can benefit because the time together during the holidays is not taken for granted.

We want Campbell College to be a 'home from home' for students, but we wish to develop the 'triangular' relationship between student, school and home.



Boarding Accommodation

The boarding house at Campbell is called School House; it is led by the Head of Boarding, Mr Bert Robinson. He, in turn, leads a team of boarding staff who have a wealth of experience, with the welfare and academic success of the students at the heart of everything they do.

We offer boarding to boys from Year 8 to Year 14, and to girls in Years 13 and 14, who are enrolled within Strathearn School. There is flexibility on offer for weekend excats from Friday afternoon until Monday morning.

The Head and Assistant Head of Boarding live on site in accommodation with their families which enhances our close community feel. In addition, there are five members of staff on duty each week night (three House Tutors and two House Mothers).

School House is split into two sections, relevant to the age of the boys within: Junior and Senior. In Junior House, boys are assigned to a dormitory (3-5 person) within the main school building with boys of their age, to foster friendships and to help with the transition into a boarding lifestyle.

Senior boarding is located between premises within the main school building and a dedicated new build (2012). In the former, boys are allocated their own 'bedsit' with filtered internet access where they are expected to complete their prep and personal study. The House has a variety of large common rooms, a computer suite and access to music recital rooms.

In addition, the school's sports and drama facilities are available to boarders in the evenings where they have easy access to the full range of extra-curricular activities that run after school and in the evenings. As boys become older, they value more independence but nonetheless appreciate the relationships they have built with the boarding staff, frequently having their supper with staff on duty in the lounge area.

In 2012, new boarding accommodation for boys and girls in Year 13 and Year 14 was opened. Each bedroom is equipped with a full en-suite bathroom and electronic door locks, allowing a 'hotel standard' living experience, which surpasses most University accommodation. Included in the building are a games room, two TV lounges, and a fully equipped kitchen.

Pastoral Care

Fundamentally, we want all our boarders to be happy during their time with us. School House staff create an environment where supervision, care and guidance is carried out in a happy, disciplined, family atmosphere. We have Guides which offer more information relating to our pastoral care, available on our website under the Boarding Pastoral Care section.

We believe the pastoral care and support offered within School House to be exemplary. Each student has access to a range of medical, pastoral and counselling services, as necessary.



Quote from a Spanish parent:

“My husband and I would like to thank all of the college’s staff for taking care of Manuel, you have helped him to feel as comfortable as at home. He has met new friends that he will hopefully keep for the rest of his life, he has matured as a person, all this would have been impossible without Campbell College’s staff. I want to thank you as you have always been available for everything we have needed at anytime.”

The Medical Centre

The College Matron is on duty in the medical centre from 8.00am to 4.30pm daily. Matron will make contact with parents/guardians if a student is ill or if there are any concerns.

All House Mothers are St John’s Ambulance first aid trained to oversee medical concerns in the evenings but we are also very fortunate to have the Ulster Hospital just a five-minute drive away.

Boarding Activities

The students and staff discuss a variety of activities and agree a weekly post-prep programme which includes football, basketball, shopping trips and use of the swimming pool.

The weekend opportunities may include shopping trips, attending sports matches, ten-pin bowling, ice skating, adventure golf or going to the cinema. Other trips might include laser games, Airsoft, a visit to the aquarium or local tourist attractions. Fundamentally it is expected that these choices will be student driven.

Students can also avail of our table tennis, badminton and basketball after-school clubs arranged specifically for our boarding pupils along with the school’s wide-ranging extracurricular timetable.

Girl Boarders

Campbell College extended a warm welcome to girl boarders from 2012. We partner with Strathearn School which is our nearest girls school located within walking distance of our campus. The girls walk back to Campbell after completing their school day at Strathearn, and then they benefit from the richness of the Campbell boarding experience. They complete their prep, participate in meal times and have full access to the College’s facilities in line with the boys.

For more information please visit: www.strathearn.org.uk

Guardianship/Visa

Parents of international boarders must nominate a guardian. This is necessary to allow students to be hosted outside the College during those times when the Boarding Department is closed for holidays, during illness (when residency in a communal environment is not suitable) or for disciplinary reasons. The Guardianship form is available on our website or through the admissions department. Many international students will also require a visa and we would recommend that you visit the visa and immigration service website www.gov.uk/apply-uk-visa to check the regulations.

How to Apply

If you have any questions with regard to an application to board at Campbell College, please do not hesitate to contact the College by telephone, or at boarding@campbellcollege.co.uk

Mr Bert Robinson, Head of Boarding, will oversee all applications and is happy to offer any interested families a Tour of the College and Boarding, when there will also be the opportunity to meet the Headmaster, Mr Robert Robinson.

Fees

Boarding is available from Year 8 (aged 11 onwards and is on a full boarding basis.

Senior School	GBP £ Per Annum
Boarding (UK and EU Citizens) Year 8 – 14	14,745*
Boarding (Non UK and Non-EU Citizens) Year 8 – 14	20,570*

*Please note that the fees quoted are projections as at the time of publication and are subject to future ratification/amendment by the Board of Governors. In addition, with the uncertainty around Brexit in 2019, the categories for EU students may be affected.

Further Details

We have comprehensive information on our website covering areas such as ‘International English’ and ‘Culture shock’, so please visit www.campbellcollege.co.uk and select the Boarding and International links.



The Boarding Day

- 8.00am – 8.20am Breakfast with School House staff in the College Dining Hall
- 8.40am Personal Tutor meetings or assembly
- 9.00am – 3.30pm Day School
- 3.30pm – 5.00pm House competitions, College Clubs and Societies
- 5.00pm – 5.45pm Prep (1) Years 8-10
- 5.00pm – 6.00pm Prep (1) Years 11-14
- 5.45pm – 6.30pm Dinner in the College Dining Hall
- 6.45pm – 7.30pm Prep (2) Years 8-10
- 7.00pm – 8.15pm Prep (2) Years 11-14
- 7.30pm – 8.30pm Organised Activity: Years 8-10
- 8.30pm – 9.30pm Organised Activity: Years 11-14
- 8.30pm – 10.00pm School Gym available
- 9.30pm – 11.30pm Lights out
(times depend on year group)



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