

CARDIFF SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

Cardiff
Wales

A leading independent sixth-form college
for boys and girls aged 15–19

Co-educational Non-denominational

About School

Cardiff Sixth Form College is a co-educational independent sixth-form college for 470 pupils aged 15–19 in Cardiff, Wales, 402 of them boarders.

It ranked 40th among UK independent schools and 46th overall in the Sunday Times Parent Power 2026; in 2025, 94.1% of A level grades were A*/A and 74.8% of GCSE grades 9–7.

Key facts for parents

Academics

2025: A level 68.6% A*, 94.1% A*/A, 99.6% A*/B; GCSE 74.8% 9–7 (Sunday Times Parent Power 2026). Pupil-teacher ratio 7:1 (GSG 2026). It was 1st in the UK on A level in the Sunday Times Parent Power 2026. In 2026, 91% of A level grades were A*/A (GSG 2026).

Where leavers go

2026: 11 Oxbridge places; 60–70% go to Russell Group universities, often Imperial, UCL and LSE (GSG 2026).

Recognition

Sunday Times Parent Power 2026 (2025 results): 40th of UK independent schools and 46th in the combined state and independent table (A level 94.1% A*/A, GCSE 74.8% 9–7; A-level rank 1, GCSE rank 152).

For international families

A highly selective sixth-form college: most students are boarders (402 of 470). A level applicants need at least six grade 8s at GCSE, including the subjects they will study. It has campuses in Cardiff and Cambridge (GSG 2026).

Good to know

There are 10 fully funded places each year, and over half of the 70 day students receive substantial funding (GSG 2026). London is about 2 hours by train.

Students

470

Total Students

402

Total Boarders

Fees / term

Day

£31,050 – 34,000

Boarding

£63,500 – 77,250

Per year, 2026/27 (Good Schools Guide); VAT status not stated

Educational Programmes offered

- A Levels
- GCSE (pre-A level)

Academic Results

GCSE 2025	9–7		
	74.8%		
A-LEVEL 2025	A*	A*–A	A*–B
	68.6%	94.1%	99.6%

GCSE bands are grades (9 = top); only bands the school publishes are shown.

School Ranking

#40 UK independent schools (2026) (Sunday Times Parent Power)

#46 State and independent, combined (2026) (Sunday Times Parent Power)

Location

Nearest airport: Cardiff / Bristol

About 25 minutes by car from Cardiff Airport and about 1 hour from Bristol Airport (estimates).