

THE SUNDAY TIMES SCHOOLS GUIDE

The top 425 independent secondary schools

■ Boys
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 M Mixed sixth form

2013 Rank	2012 Rank	School	Town	A-level (%A*)	A-level (%A*/A)	A-level (%A*/B)	A-level rank	GCSE (%A*/A)	GCSE rank	Entry Gender
1	1	St Paul's Girls' School	London	43.7	93	98.3	3=	99.5	1	■
2	6	North London Collegiate School	Edgware	42.7	80.3	98.1	5	97.9	2	■
3	7	City of London School For Girls	London	31.5	81.1	98.3	3=	96.5	4	■
4	10	Magdalen College School	Oxford	45.4	91.7	99.1	1	94.8	12	■ M
5	4	Westminster School	London	45.5	85.5	97.2	13	97.9	3	■ M
6	9	King's College School, Wimbledon	London	52	86.5	97.4	12	96	5	■ M
7=	5	Guildford High School for Girls	Guildford	42	87.7	98.4	2	93.5	19	■
7=	2	Wycombe Abbey School	High Wycombe	39.6	85.3	97.6	9	95	10	■
9	23	James Allen's Girls' School	London	27.9	82.7	97.7	8	94.3	14	■
10	11	Haberdashers' Aske's School for Girls	Borehamwood	28.9	80.4	97.8	7	93.9	17	■
11	13	Stephen Perse Foundation and Sixth Form College	Cambridge	41.4	81.8	97.5	11	94.1	15	■ M
12=	16	Brighton College	Brighton	24.4	74.2	96.3	15	95.4	8	■ ■
12=	3	St Paul's School	London	45	86	96	17	95.9	6	■
14	8	Eton College	Windsor	39.5	82.8	95.8	19	94.5	13	■
15	24	The Royal Grammar School, Guildford	Guildford	37.8	80.1	96.3	14	93.2	20	■
16	17	The Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School	Elstree	43	79.1	96	18	93.7	18	■
17	14=	The Lady Eleanor Holles School	Hampton	37	83	95	24	95.2	9	■
18	28=	The Godolphin and Latymer School	Hammersmith	30.4	77.2	96	16	92.4	21	■
19	14=	Withington Girls' School	Manchester	37.6	80.4	93.5	39	95.7	7	■
20	12	Sevenoaks School	Sevenoaks	41.9	84.6	97.8	6	85.8	49	■ ■
21	48	St Mary's School, Ascot	Ascot	27.9	72.1	93.2	42	94.8	11	■
22	33	Tonbridge School	Tonbridge	33.3	76.7	94.3	30	92.1	22	■
23	44	Putney High School GDST	Putney	23.5	69.9	95.6	20	88.3	37	■
24=	26	St Helen and St Katharine	Abingdon	32.5	80.1	93.9	36	91.5	25	■
24=	25	The Perse School	Cambridge	31.4	76.5	94.6	29	90.2	28	■ ■
24=	31=	St Albans High School for Girls	St Albans	36.4	82.2	95.1	22	89.1	33=	■
27	31=	City of London School	London	35.9	72.9	94.2	32	90.4	27	■
28	27	The Manchester Grammar School	Manchester	26	70.9	93.2	41	91.3	26	■
29	30	Merchant Taylors' School	Northwood	29.2	73.3	93.9	34	89.5	30	■
30	43	Harrow School	Harrow on the Hill	25.8	71	93.6	38	89.7	29	■
31	18	Oxford High School GDST	Oxford	25.8	73.4	92.3	45	92.1	23	■
32	38	Alleyn's School	Dulwich	24.8	71.6	95	26	86.5	44	■ ■
33	20	Hampton School	Hampton	28.1	72.6	93.3	40	89.2	32	■
34	67	St Mary's Calne	Calne	31.1	68.3	94	33	87	40	■

35	41	Notting Hill and Ealing High School GDST	Ealing	28.2	70.2	91.5	48	91.9	24	■
36	57	The Abbey School	Reading	30.7	73.5	95	25	84.7	53	■
37	21=	South Hampstead High School GDST	Hampstead	21.8	64.2	94.8	27	84.3	54	■
38	19	Manchester High School for Girls	Manchester	25.9	66.6	93.9	37	85.5	51	■
39	34	St Swithun's School	Winchester	32.7	80.8	94.2	31	82.2	58	■
40	35	Channing School	London	30.4	71.3	93.9	35	82	59	■
41	45	Benenden School	Cranbrook	28.2	71.1	95.4	21	79	69	■
42	28=	Latymer Upper School	Hammersmith	25.5	64.7	87.6	75	94	16	■ ■
43	21=	The Cheltenham Ladies' College	Cheltenham	28.1	73.5	89.9	53	89	35	■
44	46	Concord College	Shrewsbury	37.1	78.5	94.8	28	77.5	76	■ ■
45	59	Wellington College	Crowthorne	39.4	69.4	92.1	46	82	60	■ ■
46	71	King Edward's School, Birmingham	Birmingham	30.4	69.9	88.3	68	89.4	31	■
47	69	Badminton School	Bristol	29.3	71.3	89.5	55	87	41	■
48	39	St Albans School	St Albans	20.4	67.1	92.7	44	80.2	66	■ M
49=	73	University College School, Hampstead	Hampstead	24.9	65.1	89.4	57	86.5	46	■ M
49=	75	St Helen's School	Northwood	22	64.7	89.6	54	86.1	47	■
51	47	Abingdon School	Abingdon	25.2	63.5	90.4	52	84	55	■
52	54	Bancroft's School	Woodford Green	25.8	62.8	89.4	58	85.8	50	■ ■
53	49	St Catherine's, Bramley	Guildford	31.1	70.8	90.8	49	82.8	56	■
54	60	Dulwich College	Dulwich	25.4	66.1	90.5	51	82.5	57	■
55	40	Highgate School	Highgate	26.4	66.3	88.2	69	86.6	42	■ ■
56	64=	Trinity School	Croydon	20.5	58.7	88.7	64	85	52	■ M
57	37	Radley College	Abingdon	18.4	59.8	87.9	71	86.5	45	■
58	68	Oundle School	Peterborough	18.7	59.9	87.6	76	85.9	48	■ ■
59	52=	The Grange School	Northwich	20.3	62.7	85.5	94	89.1	33=	■ ■
60	74	Loughborough High School	Loughborough	25.3	67	90.6	50	77	79	■
61	89=	Eltham College	London	27.6	73.1	91.7	47	74	96	■ M
62	52=	Norwich School	Norwich	26.4	66.3	87.9	72	81.1	62	■ ■
63	55	Royal Grammar School	Newcastle upon Tyne	31.7	70.6	87.2	80	81.9	61	■ ■
64	72	Sir William Perkins's School	Chertsey	32.1	71.6	89.3	59	77	78	■
65	99	Walthamstow Hall	Sevenoaks	23.4	60.4	87.4	79	80.5	64	■
66	82	Francis Holland School, Regent's Park	London	14.1	56.3	86.7	82	81	63	■
67	91	King's High School	Warwick	17.3	57.5	87.6	74	78.7	71	■
68	70	Wimbledon High School GDST	Wimbledon	19.5	60.5	83.3	119	87.1	39	■
69	63	Caterham School	Caterham	22.4	62.4	88	70	77.6	75	■ ■
70=	36	King Edward VI High School for Girls, Birmingham	Birmingham	22.4	61.9	81.7	145	87.8	38	■
70=	50	Nottingham Girls' High School GDST	Nottingham	25.3	69.4	88.9	61	73.4	99	■
72=	84	Canford School	Wimborne	31.7	67	87.6	73	75.4	87	■ ■
72=	80	The King's School, Canterbury	Canterbury	20.9	59.5	86.2	84	78.2	73	■ ■
74	64=	Tormead School	Guildford	19.1	62.8	86.2	86	77.1	77	■
75	61	Kingston Grammar School	Kingston upon Thames	22.1	61.1	86.1	87	76.9	80	■ ■
76	62	Nottingham High School	Nottingham	25	66.4	88.6	66	71.5	110	■
77	95	King Edward's School	Bath	24.9	61.8	84.3	109	80	67	■ ■
78	119	The King's School, Chester	Chester	25.2	63.2	88.7	63	71.1	113	■ ■
79	83	St John's College, Cardiff	Cardiff	26.4	71.5	93.1	43	61.9	182	■ ■
80	-	Winchester College	Winchester	30.3	65.5	79.8	165	88.4	36	■
81	110	Exeter School	Exeter	17.8	55.8	83.6	118	80.3	65	■ ■

82	42	Headington School	Oxford	24.7	64.2	84.6	105	78.1	74	■
83	51	City of London Freemen's School	Ashted	18.6	55	83.2	123	78.9	70	■ ■
84	58	Whitgift School	South Croydon	21.3	57.8	86.2	85	72.6	102	■
85	89=	Stockport Grammar School	Stockport	16.5	56.6	86.7	81	71.5	111	■ ■
86	85	Downe House School	Thatcham	21.7	54.2	79	176=	86.6	43	■
87	158	Norwich High School GDST	Norwich	18.2	57.3	88.8	62	66.9	152=	■
88	144	Ibstock Place School	Roehampton	13.7	49	84.3	108	75.8	86	■ ■
89	179=	Queen Ethelburga's College	York	30.8	80.8	97.6	10	48.6	286	■ ■
90	101	Howell's School Llandaff GDST	Cardiff	22.9	59.5	84.7	103	73.8	98	■ M
91=	98	The Maynard School	Exeter	22	60.4	85.7	92=	71.8	107	■
91=	260	Birkenhead School	Wirral	21.1	54.9	84.6	106	74.1	95	■ ■
93	79	Warwick School	Warwick	19.1	55.3	83.9	116	75.2	91	■
94=	170	Godolphin School	Salisbury	15.3	63.3	83.6	117	75.1	92	■
94=	120	Wakefield Girls' High School	Wakefield	18.7	50	82.9	126	76.4	83	■
94=	207	Ashford School	Ashford	-	-	84	112	74.3	93	■ ■
97	134	The Red Maids' School	Bristol	23.4	58.7	86.2	83	69.7	120	■
98	188	Streatham and Clapham High School GDST	Streatham	20.2	59.5	89.3	60	63.3	173	■
99	115	Bromley High School GDST	Bromley	10.3	51.9	84	113	73.4	100	■
100	81	King Edward VI School	Southampton	28	69.1	87.5	77	66	158	■ ■