



Private Boarding School

"Studying at RIC was great fun; I met a lot of good people and still keep in touch with many of them. I'll never forget the Rochester's Got Talent competitions and our rendition of The Village People's greatest hits."

Student

Rochester Independent College Rochester

Private co-educational boarding school in South East England, located in the historic city of Rochester, Kent. The college offers an academically focused Sixth Form environment with small class sizes and a flexible approach to learning. Best suited to students aged 16-19 who want intensive academic preparation, personalised teaching and strong support for UK university applications.



BOARDING



CITY



SPORTS



ARTS



STEM

Quick Facts

Founded: 1984

Accepting students: Years 11-12, PG

Climate: Cool winters / Warm summers

School Population: 340

Boarding offered: Yes

One-Year A Levels: Yes

Visa information:

- **Term/Semester:** ETA or Visitor Visa (nationality dependent)
 - **Academic Year:** Child Student Visa required
- English as Additional Language (EAL) support:** Yes

Academic Excellence

Rochester Independent College offers **over 30 A Level subjects**, delivered in small classes with an average size of eight students. Teaching focuses on academic rigour within **a supportive and flexible learning environment**, allowing students to study at a pace suited to their individual needs. The college is particularly recognised for preparation for competitive pathways, including medicine, dentistry and science-related degrees. Additional support is available through structured IELTS preparation, academic mentoring and tailored university application guidance.

Student Accomplishments

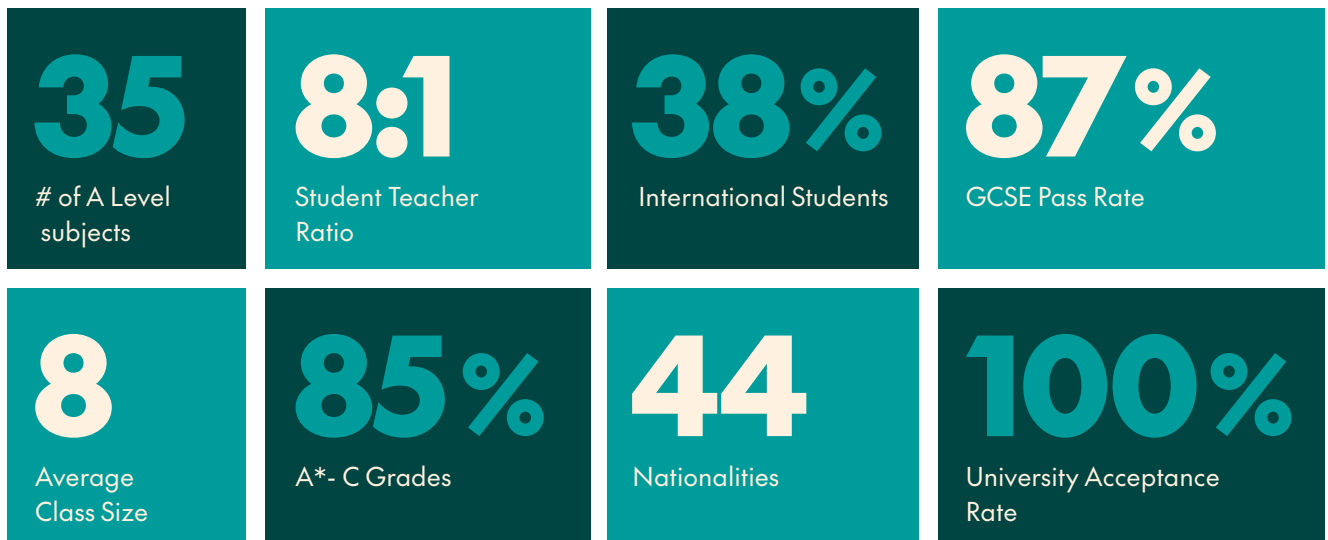
- Strong progression to competitive UK universities
- Successful applications to medicine and science-related degrees
- Consistent academic outcomes supported by small class teaching
- High levels of student progression to higher education

Recent University Acceptances

- University of Oxford
- University of Cambridge
- Imperial College London
- University College London
- King's College London
- The University of Edinburgh
- The University of Manchester
- University of Bristol
- University of Nottingham
- University of the Arts London
- University of Warwick
- University of Glasgow
- University of Birmingham
- University of Leeds
- University of Southampton
- University of York
- London School of Economics and Political Science



Stats



Campus Facilities

The college is located in a conservation area of Rochester, with historic buildings set around landscaped gardens. Facilities include **a digitally focused creative department with Apple-equipped classrooms, a 100-seat performance auditorium, a fitness suite and an outdoor games court.** Academic spaces are designed to support focused study and small-group teaching.

Residential life

Boarding accommodation is located on or near the main campus, allowing students to live close to academic facilities. Rooms are mainly **single or twin, with many offering en-suite bathrooms.** Boarding staff provide daily supervision and pastoral support, helping students balance academic demands with independent living skills. Educatius UK is accredited by the Boarding School Association (BSA).

Athletics and Arts

Physical activities are offered on a recreational basis, including fitness training, swimming and team sports, supporting student wellbeing alongside academic study.

Creative subjects such as art, music, film and drama are supported by specialist facilities. Students can participate in performances, productions and creative clubs.



Highlights

Sports: Basketball, Dodgeball, Gymnastics, Football, Golf, Korfbal, Netball, Quidditch, Rugby, Softball, Trampoline, Swimming

Arts: Art, Art History, Ceramics, Film, Graphic Design, Photography, Textile, Theater

A Level subjects:

Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Economics, Business, Psychology, Sociology, History, Geography, Politics, English Literature, English Language, Art, Film Studies, Media Studies, Music, Computer Science, Photography

**Languages offered:
French, Spanish**

**Clubs and extracurriculars:
Debating, Film Club, Fitness Activities, Music Groups, Student Council, University Preparation Workshops**

Community

Rochester is a historic city in Kent with strong transport links to London, reachable in under one hour by train. Students benefit from access to cultural sites, theatres and museums, alongside organised educational trips to destinations such as London, Bath and Stratford-upon-Avon.

Climate

Mild southern climate with cool winters and warm summers. Average temperatures range from 3°C in January to 21°C in July, with moderate rainfall throughout the year.

ROCHESTER
INDEPENDENT
COLLEGE



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"It was the best decision I made to come to RIC during my A levels. The teachers gave me back both the confidence and the grades I needed. I do not know any other school that cares like RIC does."

Student

"RIC has been literally transformative. I've felt so much happier here. You're allowed to be yourself, be independent and discover who you are."

Student

Video

Learn more
about
the school

