



Wolverhampton Girls' High School



Developing happy, confident and resilient young women.





A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEADTEACHER

WELCOME TO WGHS

Wolverhampton Girls' High School is an exceptional school. It has a warm and friendly environment with a community family atmosphere, where students are given every opportunity to reach their true potential. We are committed to ensuring your child feels happy, safe and secure and grows up believing in themselves and empowered to make a difference in school, the local community and the wider world.

We hope this prospectus gives you an insight into Girls' High and what a wonderful place it is to be.

Mrs Trudi Young
Headteacher







AT WGHS WE DEVELOP

A LIFELONG LOVE OF LEARNING

Here at Girls' High we have a longstanding reputation for offering students an exceptional 7 years of study. Each individual student who joins is provided with the opportunity to achieve their own personal aspirations, both academically as well as beyond the classroom. We offer a safe and supportive environment and provide your child with the tools they need to succeed beyond Girls' High.





Broad and Rich Curriculum

At Wolverhampton Girls' High School, we are committed to providing our students with an exceptional education that empowers them to reach their fullest potential, equipping them for the opportunities, responsibilities, and experiences that lie ahead.

Given our academically talented student body, our curriculum is designed to offer a diverse and enriching experience, preparing students for their future endeavours while ensuring that every individual has the chance to achieve their maximum capabilities.

Upon joining us in Year 7 your daughter would study the following subjects:

- Art
- Computing
- Design & Technology
- English
- Geography
- History
- Latin
- Maths
- Modern Foreign Languages - 2 allocated from French, German, Spanish and Russian
- Performing Arts
- Physical Education
- PSHCE
- Religious Studies
- Science - Biology, Physics and Chemistry

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Curriculum planning is meticulous and exceeds the expectations of the national curriculum.

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Academic Excellence

At WGHS, exceptional outcomes are achieved through our inspirational teaching and focused learning environments.

We endeavour to help each and every one of our students to realise their potential and achieve their personal best. This develops a love of lifelong learning. The outcomes at GCSE and A Level speak for themselves and we are very proud of these achievements; but learning across our school is much more than this. It is about facilitating opportunities to discover passion and interests that will shape each student's future. It is about encouraging a questioning mind and developing skills and attributes that will be essential for all that lies ahead.

Our learning environment opens doors, through the inspirational teaching and the focused, sharing and supportive atmosphere amongst all members of our community. This environment enables personal excellence to flourish for all of our girls. A powerful mix of enthusiasm, inspiration, enjoyment and determination, creates a sense of true empowerment for all our students.



100% A Level
Pass Rate 2023/24



99% GCSE
Pass Rate 2023/24



45% A Level
A*/A Grade 2023/24



48% GCSE Grades
8 & 9 2023/24

75%

75% A Level
A*-B Grade 2023/24

89%

89% GCSE
Grades 6-9 2023/24







WE CARE ABOUT YOUR DAUGHTER

NURTURE AND SUPPORT FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL STUDENT

Care, support and guidance are top priorities, from Year 7 through to the Sixth Form. Support is available to help our students dealing with wellbeing challenges. The pastoral system allows students to realise their full academic potential whilst developing their social and personal qualities. This is achieved through a well-established structure of academic teaching and individual pastoral support alongside Higher Education and Careers guidance. We aim to ensure that students leave as independent, confident and well-rounded young adults.





Sara M. Cox
Administrator of Operations

Outstanding Pastoral Care

Throughout their time at Girls' High, students are supported and mentored by their Form tutor, forming a strong working relationship. The tutors in turn are supported by the Pastoral House Leaders and dedicated Sixth Form Team.

As well as the support given by the pastoral staff, WGHS is keen to make sure that students have access to additional personal support should they require it via the School Counsellor, Education Psychologist or our full time School Nurse.



Dedicated
Pastoral Care team



Care and Support from House
Leaders and Sixth Form team



Mental Health Student
Support Team



Full time
School Nurse



School Counsellor and
Education Psychologist



Mental Health
First Aid Team

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There is a strong focus on supporting the well-being and mental health of pupils.
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A Sense of Belonging

Our vertical Form Groups and House System are at the heart of school life at WGHS and enhance our outstanding pastoral care, enabling students to build relationships across year groups. The vertical Form Groups span from Year 7 to 13 and provides our older students with opportunities for leadership, mentoring advice as well as support between students of different ages.

Each of our 4 Houses are made up of Heads of House and Assistant Heads of House, Form Tutors, staff and students. We are committed to fostering a genuine sense of belonging for each individual at WGHS, with the House system serving as a fundamental component of the pastoral care offered in School.

Each year we have House Competitions including:

- Britannia - the House with the most house points on a termly basis wins the prestigious Britannia Trophy.
- House Arts - a student led event which offers our students the chance to write, choreograph, compose, direct and perform in a themed House performance.
- House Winter Games - there really is something for everyone at House Winter Games: Sports, 'Bake-Off', Public Speaking, Spelling Bees, Quizzes, Dissections. All are judged by a member of staff in a 1st-4th ranking with the overall highest points being crowned House Champions.
- Sports Day - the vibrancy of our school community is most evident at Sports Day. Our students adorn their House colours competing on the track, in the field or in the traditional welly wanging; camaraderie and determination are in abundance.







COMMUNITY AND OPPORTUNITY

WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL SO SPECIAL

Wolverhampton Girls' High School is dedicated to nurturing a close and supportive community that feels like family.

Our students share a deep sense of care for one another, cultivating strong relationships both within and across year groups. This sense of belonging is further strengthened by our House System, Vertical Form Groups that include students from Years 7 to 13, as well as the experiences and opportunities that our students share. The community is rooted in the principles of care, courtesy, cooperation and respect which contributes to a thriving and joyful school environment.





Exceptional Enrichment

As well as ensuring academic success, we are serious about having fun and enjoying all that school has to offer. This is achieved through providing a wealth of extra curricular activities for students to engage in. We have over 90 enrichment and extra-curricular clubs in school.

All of our students are gifted in different ways, we aim to unlock those gifts and help them flourish. Helping students to develop in areas that they love is a central part of education at Girls' High. Whether your child is an avid sportsperson, a budding musician, at home on the stage, or all of these things there will be endless opportunities to grow these skills. Maybe your child loves to dance, paint, draw or debate, they will be supported here.

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Enrichment and extracurricular are plentiful, the idea being to produce enquiring minds, get pupils out of their comfort zones and grow in confidence.

The Good Schools Guide





Music & Performing Arts

Our vibrant Music and Performing Arts Enrichment Programmes are a fundamental part of school life, offering a dynamic and inclusive range of opportunities for students to develop their drama and musical talents. Our programmes provide students with the opportunity to further develop their passion for performing beyond the classroom. Students get to engage with subject specialists and other students that love to perform and be on the stage!

Participation in our enrichment clubs is not only a valuable extension of classroom learning but also a cherished tradition that nurtures confident performers, transferable skills, teamwork, and lasting friendships across year groups. Students committed to our clubs have the opportunity to participate in exciting music concert tours, such as our Choir performing at Disneyland Paris; or School Shows - this year our production is Shrek!

In addition, we have annual concerts such as Punch & Carols, for students to showcase for an audience. Music and Performing Arts are a cornerstone of school life, inspiring creativity, confidence, and community spirit.

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The enrichment activities are a great way to socialise and bond with other girls. I personally love Junior Choir.

Layla, Year 7





Sport

At WGHS Sport plays a vital role in fostering both physical and personal development. Through a diverse range of extracurricular activities, students have the opportunity to engage in team sports like netball, football and basketball, as well as individual pursuits such as athletics and gymnastics. These programs not only encourage healthy competition and teamwork but also build confidence, leadership, and resilience. Our school's commitment to sport provides a well-rounded experience, empowering young women to excel in both academics and athletics, while promoting discipline, self-motivation, and a balanced lifestyle. With great facilities and a supportive environment, the girls are encouraged to discover their full potential, setting the foundation for lifelong physical activity and well-being.

Within the Physical Education department we have an awards Colours system for students in Key Stage 3, 4 and 5. Colours are awarded to students for outstanding contribution and dedication to sport at WGHS as well as outside of school.

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Sport at Girls' High is great! I love playing with my friends and the variety of sports is really good!
Elin, Year 9 Student





Trips, Tours and Expeditions

Life beyond the school gates fulfils dreams, providing excitement, perspective and broadening the intellectual horizons of our students. Academic concepts learnt in the classroom are experienced in real life and real time, strengthening knowledge and widening eyes. All of our trips are designed to be an extension of the classroom, pitches or studios and we seek to expose our students to different cultures, adventures and possibilities, creating experiences they will never forget. Travelling broadens young peoples' outlook and we believe it is key to encouraging curiosity and improving critical thinking skills.

During their time with us students enjoy a myriad of opportunities to join both year group trips and subject specific residential trips in exciting locations around the UK and the wider world, for example:

- Choir performing at Disneyland Paris
- Food Technology students touring The Bay of Naples, Italy
- Russian students visiting English students in Tallinn, Estonia
- Duke of Edinburgh expeditions
- Teamwork and Leadership courses
- Sports tours
- Drama and Art students visiting galleries, exhibitions and theatre performances

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Whether it's performing at Disneyland or visiting Soviet museums, the trips with Girls' High truly are some of the best experiences!

Amelia, Co-Head Girl





Year 7 Admissions

WGHS admits 180 students in Year 7. A place being offered at Girls' High is determined by performance in the Entrance Test. The Entrance Test measures ability in verbal reasoning, non-verbal reasoning and mathematics. The process starts in the Summer Term of Year 5 when parents can register their children for the Entrance Test. The Test then takes place in September of Year 6 with results released in October before the Local Authority Secondary School Preference List deadline. Places would then be offered in March the following year.

WGHS is part of the West Midlands Grammar School Consortium, made up of 19 Grammar schools across the West Midlands and Shropshire. The Test provider is GL Assessments and being part of the Consortium means that children only need to sit one Entrance Test across these 19 schools and providing parents give consent on the registration form, test results and data can be shared with all schools in the consortium.

All Admissions information is available on our website:
www.wghs.org.uk/admissions

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It's more than a school; it's a place where I'm empowered to grow into the person I want to be.
Sarah, Year 13 Student





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