



Ireland

Age : 13 to 18

HIGH SCHOOL ABROAD

## Private school in Ireland (County Cavan)

### SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

The school is a Christian co-educational boarding school under Protestant management, which was founded in 1611 and welcomes 200 students, including both day and boarding pupils. There about 80 boarders in this school. The school is located in Cavan, a small town in the north of Ireland, close to the border of Northern Ireland. Extra activities, clubs, indoor and outdoor sports, are organized by the school. Our local coordinator take care of the international students placed in this school and provide them with a carefully selected host family for weekends/holidays or full time accommodation.

### SCHOOL SYSTEM

A typical secondary school consists of 1st to 3rd years, the usually optional 4th year or Transition Year (< 16 Y.O.), the 5th year (16/17 Y.O.) and 6th year (> 17 Y.O.).

The **Junior Cycle** builds on the education received at primary level and ends with the *Junior Certificate Examination*. The Junior Certificate Examination is taken after three years of study and not before 14 years of age.

The **Transition Year** is a one-year informal course taken by an increasing number of students. The school models the curriculum according to local needs and is often focused on work placement and related projects.

The **Senior Cycle** builds on the junior cycle and culminates with the *Leaving Certificate Examination*. The Leaving Certificate Examination is taken after at least two years of study following the Junior Certificate Examination.

International Students must take a minimum of five subjects (most students take 7 or even more) including the two core subjects of English and Mathematics. Students can then choose their other subjects from a broad range including arts, languages, science and other applied subjects (e.g. mechanical drawing, woodwork etc.). At the end of the senior cycle the Leaving Certificate Examination is taken. Students normally sit for this examination at eighteen years of age. The Leaving Certificate Examination is internationally recognised as being the equivalent of the British A Level Examination and the International Baccalaureate Examination and allows access to universities in the UK, the USA and all over Europe.



Location : Cavan

Boarding : Full board

Accommodation : Host family / Residence and Host family

Length : Fall term / Spring semester / Academic Year

Type : Private / Private Boarding



International students are placed either as a day schooler or at the dorm.

The schools have been extensively renovated and modernized in recent years offering students great sport fields and recreational areas and Science laboratories with the latest technological trends.

Application deadline : March 31st for an arrival in August, October 31st for an arrival in January. Late applications may be accepted, depending on availability and visa processing times.

Requirements : Students must be interviewed in their home country before being accepted on the program. A minimum of two years of English study and good academic results are required