



**BHS**

**BOARDING**

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## BOARDING LIFE

Life in a boarding school is a unique experience for young people as they mature into young adults. As they experience the responsibilities and pleasures of communal life, our students become more self-reliant and self-confident. Working together to build a peaceful and harmonious community, Brummana High School (BHS) students learn the need for self-discipline and to care for others, all the while respecting the Quaker values the school was founded upon in 1873 and continues to promote.

## HISTORY, DIVERSITY, FRIENDSHIP & SUCCESS

Throughout its history, BHS will be 150 years old in 2023, the school has had a well-established boarding section. Our students come from a variety of backgrounds and nationalities. Countries of current boarders include Lebanon, Yemen, Iraq, Kuwait, UK, Holland, US, Mexico and Costa Rica. We know that our past students have formed friendships which they cherish long after they have left BHS. Many of our boarders go on to prestigious roles and successful careers. Indeed, the current Sultan of Oman, His Majesty Haitham bin Tariq Al Said, was a boarder at BHS in the early 70s.



## FACILITIES

The boarding section is nestled into the lower end of the school's stunning, nature-rich, 16 acre campus, situated at 750 metres above sea level and a 25-minute-drive from Beirut and the airport. Edinburgh House is currently the main boarding facility, named after H.R.H. Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, who officially inaugurated the building in 1967. A maximum of two students sleep in each comfortable and spacious dormitory room. There are also recreation rooms, study areas and lounges where students can relax and work, as well as take their evening meals.



## BOARDING AGE

We accept boarders from Grade 5. If accompanied by an older sibling, we accept younger students from Grades 1-4.



## FAMILY ATMOSPHERE

The students live in a friendly and family-like atmosphere. The boarding houses are directed by the Head of Boarding and House Parents who live in and are responsible for students, staff and the boarding activities programme. There are also Boarding Assistants, who work closely with the Head of Boarding and House Parents. Together, our dedicated team come to know students well, and this enables them to support and guide the students. They give special attention to study habits, accompany students on trips, celebrate birthdays and they make every effort to see that the boarding experience is a happy, productive and positive one.



## ACTIVITIES & EXCURSIONS

In order to provide students with an all-round, holistic education, there is a wealth of activities and trips on offer, both during school time and at the weekends. Indeed, weekend activities can go as far as including ski trips in the winter and white-water rafting trips in the spring and autumn. Activities are an integral part of life at BHS. The campus has many sports fields and courts, including for football, rugby, cricket and basketball, along with an outdoor swimming pool and new multi-gym and sports arena, with a top-of-the-range artificial grass field and athletics facilities. Boarding students have the privilege of using these facilities after school hours.

## ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

BHS offers two academic programmes, both in English and both qualifying the students to gain acceptance into the sophomore year of universities in Lebanon and worldwide.

### Lebanese Programme

The Lebanese Programme is designed to fulfil the requirements of the Lebanese Ministry of Education and the school prepares students for the Brevet and Lebanese Baccalaureate exams. Students have the choice of completing the Baccalaureate in Life Sciences, General Sciences or Sociology and Economics.





**Cambridge Assessment  
International Education**

Cambridge International School



**Diploma  
Programme**

## **International Programme**

The IGCSE from Cambridge Assessment, offered at BHS since 2012, is the world's most popular international qualification for 14 to 16-year-olds. The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP), administered at BHS since 2016, is for students aged 16 – 19 years old. Cambridge's AS & A Levels are being re-introduced this year for students wishing to continue their studies in a more British-centric programme. All the syllabuses develop a deep understanding of subjects and independent thinking skills.

## **Support for Learning (SFL) & English as a Foreign Language (EFL)**

The school provides substantial support and extra academic opportunities to students as required. The well-functioning SFL and EFL departments offer these additional options, enabling students to acquire English or other subject skills rapidly in order to join mainstream programmes.



## **BOARDING OPTIONS & FEES**

The school currently offers three boarding options. Full boarding remains the most popular option, allowing for students to stay on campus all weekdays and weekends for \$16,000 per year (not including tuition fees). Please note students typically travel and/or return to their families during the holidays. BHS also offers a weekly boarding option for specific weeks or a flexi-boarding option for specific days.



## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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