

## Study UK boarding school campaign (North East Asia)

British Council North East Asia will launch a marketing campaign to help UK boarding schools' marketing and student recruitment needs.

Through the marketing campaign, British Council East Asia will help UK boarding schools to:

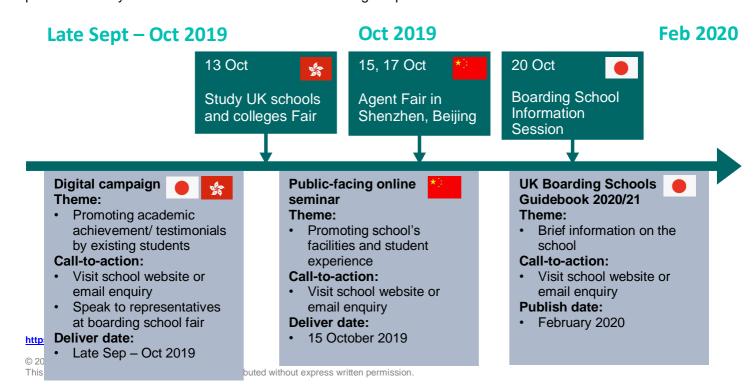
- 1. Identify the most targeted audience
- 2. Communicate messaging that speaks to East Asia parents and students
- 3. Enhance your positioning, profile and attractiveness in North East Asia
- 4. Boost your international student recruitment numbers
- 5. Meet new agent partners

## Benefits of participating

- Raise your profile through digital and print media reaching a wide audience of prospective students and Influencers.
- Engage directly with prospective students and influencers at face-to-face events
- Generate new links these campaigns will target not only prospective students and their parents but also teachers and agents. Participating schools seeking new partnerships can take this opportunity to establish links with potential partners.
- Grow and strengthen your agent network

#### **Timeline**

This holistic integrated campaign is designed to enable UK schools to meet with prospective students and parents and key influencers in North East Asia in a single trip:



## What is included in the Study UK boarding school campaign in North East Asia?

HONG KONG			
Date	Activities	Location	Reach
Sunday 13 October 2019	<ul> <li>Study UK schools and colleges Fair</li> <li>Each school will be allocated a booth consisting of one table, 4 chairs and a fascia with the school name.</li> <li>Refreshments</li> <li>Market briefing session</li> </ul>	Hong Kong	800
September - October 2019	<ul> <li>Digital promotion campaign</li> <li>One targeted mailshot</li> <li>One boosted Facebook post</li> </ul>	Online	20,000- 30,000

**Participation Fee:** 

Full package - GBP 2,300 (excluding VAT) Face-to-face event only - GBP 1,816 (excluding VAT)

	CHINA		
Date	Activities	Location	Reach
Tuesday 15 October 2019	Venue hire – hotel venues in two cities in	Shenzhen	50-60
	<ul> <li>Venue hire – hotel venues in two cities in China</li> <li>Meeting table/chair – schools may bring table banners and promotional materials to decorate their tables</li> <li>Afternoon refreshments during each event</li> </ul>		
Thursday 17 October 2019	<ul> <li>Agent fair</li> <li>Venue hire – hotel venues in two cities in China</li> <li>Meeting table/chair – schools may bring table banners and promotional materials to decorate their tables</li> <li>Afternoon refreshments during each event</li> </ul>	Beijing	60-70
Tuesday 15 October 2019	<ul> <li>Management of an online public session – including pre-event promotion, onsite coordination and post-event follow up.</li> <li>Social media promotion - pre-and-post-event profile raising through British Council Study UK social media channels. Audience reach: 220,000+</li> </ul>	Online (delivered in Shenzhen)	TBC
	Participation	n Fee: GBP 1,65	0 (excluding VAT)

	JAPAN		
Date	Activities	Location	Reach
Sunday 20 October 2019	Study UK Boarding School Information Session	Tokyo, Japan	50+
	<ul> <li>10-15 minute seminar slot per institution</li> <li>Individual consultation throughout the event. Each school will be allocated a booth consisting of one table, 6 chairs and an A4 sign with the school name. Please note, no back panels will be provided.</li> <li>School introduction in on-day event guide (100 word introduction to be translated by the British Council, one image and school logo)</li> </ul>		
September - October 2019	<ul> <li>Digital promotion campaign</li> <li>Targeted mailshot (3 schools featured per mailshot)</li> <li>Boosted Facebook post (one post per school)</li> </ul>	Online	20,000- 30,000
February 2020	UK Boarding Schools Guidebook 2020/21*  • One profile page in UK Boarding Schools Guidebook 2020/21	Publication	2,000
			Participation Fee:

Full package - GBP 1,600 (excluding VAT) Digital + guidebook promotion - GBP790 (excluding VAT)

## \* Profile Page in UK Boarding Schools Guidebook 2020/21

Purpose: Profile-raising among prospective students, influencers, agents

Publish date: February 2020

Shelf-life: 1 year (February 2020 to February 2021)

About the Guide:

Dimensions: W182mm x H257mm

Language: Japanese

Total pages: approximately 36, full colour

- Print run: 2,000 copies
- Contents of the guidebook
  - An introduction to UK boarding schools highlighting strengths and attractions (article prepared by the **British Council)**
  - Message from the British Ambassador to Japan (article prepared by the British Council)
  - A map of the UK to show the location of the participating schools (prepared by the British Council)
  - Profiles of up to 20 participating UK boarding schools
- Each profile page will consist of:
  - General information (school name, logo, contact details, gender profile, student number, school fees etc.). The British Council will provide a template for schools to complete.
  - Brief information on the school (up to 150 words).
  - Up to three photographs of the school/students (the British Council will select photograph(s) that best fit the space)

#### Distribution:

- British Council student facing events including our flagship Study UK Exhibitions
  - Postage to local study abroad agents / schools on request
  - British Council front of house display
  - · Local events organized by schools / authorities

#### **Online Version**

An on-line version of the guidebook will be available via the British Council Japan website in easy-to-view PDF format for one year. The link will be advertised widely through British Council digital channels throughout 2020.

Reference: 2019/20 Guide

https://www.britishcouncil.jp/sites/default/files/boarding school guide 2019-2020.pdf

### **Market context**

#### China

According to the UK Independent Schools Council 2018 census, there has been steady growth in pupil numbers from mainland China. Chinese mainland students now constitute more than 25 percent of the total number of international students studying at British independent schools. This figure is expected to continue to increase over the next few years.

## **Hong Kong**

Hong Kong continues to be the UK's second largest source market of international students for UK schools. UK education, and boarding schools in particular, enjoy a reputation for academic excellence, and parents look to send their students in order to avoid the high-pressure local education system. Despite the shrinking youth population in Hong Kong, the number of Hong Kong students in UK boarding schools increased 5.1% (from 4,938 to 5,188) in 2018, according to the ISC report 2018. We expect the market will be stable over the next couple of years.

#### Japan

Interest in overseas boarding schools has been growing in recent years due to a host of factors which include: a growing awareness in Japanese society of the importance of gaining study abroad experience from a young age; wider awareness and understanding of the IB and A-Levels, both of which have received a large amount of media coverage in recent years; government support for study abroad through the Tobitate scholarships programme; and wider demands from industry for graduates with 'global skills'.

The market upturn has been reflected in the following recent statistics:

- 39% increase in boarding school enquiries at the British Council's Study UK Spring Exhibition (held March 2018)
- 16% increase in total number of Japanese students studying at Independent Schools Council (ISC) schools in 2018 (2017: 924, 2018: 1,068)
- 17% growth in the number of Japanese pupils, **whose parents live in Japan**, studying at ISC schools in 2018 (2017: 336, 2018: 392)
- 22% increase in the number of new Japanese pupils, whose parents live in Japan, studying at ISC schools in 2018 (2017: 128, 2018: 156)
- 15% growth in the number of Japanese pupils, **whose parents live in the UK**, studying at ISC schools 2018 (2017: 588, 2018: 676)
- 15% increase in **Tier 4 Child visa issuances** in 2017 (2016: 251, 2017: 289)

#### How to apply

To reserve a slot, please complete the booking form below and return it to the address below. Applications will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis. <a href="https://education-services.britishcouncil.org">https://education-services.britishcouncil.org</a>

# Study UK boarding school campaign Booking Form:

Please send completed forms as a scanned PDF file to Anna Lee at anna.lee@britishcouncil.org.hk

Name of school	
Authorised person	
Email address	
Please check this box if your institution mee <a href="https://education-services.britishcouncil.org">https://education-services.britishcouncil.org</a>	ets the British Council International Education Services criteria /eligibility-criteria
Please tick the appropriate box(es) in the table	below.
Option	Fee
Hong Kong	£2,300 (full package)
Hong Kong	£1,816 (Face-to-face event)
China	£1,650 (Two agent Fair + Public-facing online seminar)
Japan (Information Session, Digital Campaign, One Page Profile in UK Boarding Schools Guidebook 2020/21)	<ul> <li>         ☐ £1,600 (full package)         ☐ £1,520 (for schools also participating in the Study UK Fair Japan 2019 (19<sup>th</sup> Oct 2019)         </li> <li>         Digital/print marketing campaign ONLY:         ☐ £800 (a profile page in guide + digital marketing)         ☐ £1,000 (a profile page and full-page ad (inside back) in guide + digital marketing)         ☐ £1,100 (a profile page and full-page ad (inside front) in guide + digital marketing)         ☐ £1,200 (a profile page and full-page ad (back) in guide + digital marketing)         ☐ £1,200 (a profile page and full-page ad (back) in guide + digital marketing)         </li> </ul>
*All fees are exclusive of applicable VAT	

https://education-services.britishcouncil.org

#### **Declaration**

I confirm that the above named organisation does want to take part in Study UK boarding school campaign (options ticked above). I understand that if this application is accepted that the terms and conditions listed below will form a binding contract between this organisation and the British Council.

 (signature of applicant)	(	(date)

## **Terms and Conditions**

## **Eligibility**

All participating institutions must meet the British Council International Education Services criteria <a href="https://education-services.britishcouncil.org/eligibility-criteria">https://education-services.britishcouncil.org/eligibility-criteria</a>

#### Selection

Applications will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis. Institutions will appear in alphabetical order by institution in all promotional materials.

## **Acceptance**

Delivery of the project is conditional on the British Council receiving a sufficient number of applications. Institutions will be sent confirmation of acceptance once sufficient numbers have been received.

#### Payment schedule

The British Council will invoice all institutions for the participation fee in October 2018.

## **Cancellation Policy**

The below cancellation fees will be charged for withdrawal from the activity, as of the date of receipt of notice of withdrawal.

- 50 per cent of the participation fee for withdrawals received on or after 30<sup>th</sup> August 2019.
- 100 per cent of the participation fee for withdrawals received on or after **06**<sup>th</sup> **September 2019**.

Notice of withdrawal must be supplied in writing by email to Anna Lee at anna.lee@britishcouncil.org.hk.