

Advertising opportunity with top English-language annual schools guide in Hong Kong

South China Morning Post's Good Schools Guide has established itself as a valuable guide for Hong Kong parents as they make the crucial decision of choosing the best school for their children. While the main focus of the newspaper magazine-format guide is schools in Hong Kong, there is useful coverage of overseas options, including the UK. In the last few years, the British Council invited schools to advertise in this publication in order to build exposure of UK school education. Based on the positive feedback from the schools that advertised in the Guide, we would like to continue this in the 2012 edition, which will be published on <u>25 June 2012</u>.

Summer is the time when parents in Hong Kong are searching for schools – some for the 2012-13 academic year, others for the year ahead. The publication date coincides with the time when parents learn if they have found a suitable local school for children entering Primary One and Secondary One.

Hong Kong is the leading source of international students in UK independent schools, accounting for around 24 per cent of the total. In 2010-11 there were 5,859 Hong Kong students in UK schools. This compares with about 74,000 studying in the fee-paying schools sector in Hong Kong – equivalent to one sixth of the total. The UK remains a key option for Hong Kong families looking for quality education. Advertising in the Good Schools Guide published in the leading English language newspaper in Hong Kong provides access to this market.

The Good Schools Guide includes the following key content:

- Comprehensive listings of fee-paying schools and international pre-schools in Hong Kong
- Editorials to ease the decision-making

Articles written by writers with specialist knowledge of education will address many of the questions that parents have when choosing schools, from the first kindergarten to senior secondary school. For these articles, comments will be sought from school and pre-school leaders, as well as academic experts and those providing supporting education services – from languages to learning skills.

• Overseas options

Overseas options will be covered as one of the key components of the guide, with article/s dedicated to education in the UK, and important reference information included in separate boxes. UK advertisers will be given priority for the possibility of an additional interview for an editorial that the British Council may facilitate in preparing. However, editorial content in the guide is independent and coverage cannot be guaranteed.

With over 101,892 copies sold daily (HKABC, Jan - Jun 2011), and an extra 30,000 copies distributed at the Hong Kong Book Fair and redemption at convenience stores, the South China Morning Post reaches 388,000 readers (Nielson Media Index Hong Kong Year-End Report 2010).



Participation fee

	B/W	Full colour
Full Page	GBP 1960 +VAT	GBP 2520 +VAT
Bleed size: 316mm(H) x 261mm(W) Trimmed size: 310mm(H) x 255mm(W)		
Half Page	GBP 1090 +VAT	GBP 1390 +VAT
Horizontal: 140mm(H)X230mm(W) Vertical: 286mm(H)X113mm(W)		
Quarter page	GBP 670 +VAT	GBP 830 +VAT
140mm(H)X113mm(W)		

Cancellation deadline

Cancellation fees will be charged for withdrawal from the advertising opportunity as of the date of receipt of notice of withdrawal:

At 50 per cent of the full cost for withdrawals received on or after 18 May 2012 At 100 per cent of the full cost for withdrawals received on or after 22 May 2012

How to apply

Please complete the application form below and return it by 24 May, 2012 to:

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Fax : +852 2913 5166



<u>Application form</u> Advertising opportunity with top English-language schools guide in Hong Kong

We would like to advertise in the <u>Good Schools Guide</u> on 25 June, 2012 with the following particulars as (\checkmark):				
Size :	() Full Page	() Half Page	() Quarter Page	
Colour :	() B&W	() Full Colour		
Total Advertising Cost:				
Name of institution:				
Name of contact person (in block letters):				
Position: Department:				
Telephone:	Fax:	E-	mail:	
Signature:		Date:		
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Completed form to be returned to: British Council Hong Kong, 3 Supreme Court, Admiralty, Hong Kong E-mail bc-siem@britishcouncil.org.hk				
Fax +852 291	3 5166		by Thursday 24 May 2012	

Note on advertisement placements made by British Council on behalf of UK institutions:

The above cost includes film production and placement, and will be invoiced on the publication date of the Good Schools Guide.

Clippings of the advertisement will be sent back for reference. You can make a maximum of two amendments on each layout. Please take note of the following requirements:

- Content (e.g. text, logo and photos) should reach us by 28 May 2012
- The Education UK logo will be placed on the top right hand corner if the institutions have subscribed to the brand license.
- You can opt to maintain your institutions' house style but additional fees may be applied. In all instances where you adopt your house style the British Council's logo will be excluded.

All layouts of advertisements will be approved by you prior to output of film.



Sample 1 (Vertical)

Quarter page: approx. 140mm(H)X113mm(W) Half page: approx. 286mm(H)X113mm(W)





Sample size 2 (Horizontal) Half page: approx. 140mm(H)X230mm(W)





Appendix Good Schools Guide 2011





<u>Cover</u>

Half page ad with advertorial



Quarter size ads