

About NLCS Dubai



North London Collegiate School was founded in 1850 and is one of the historic schools of England providing an exceptional education for its pupils for over 160 years. In the United Kingdom, North London Collegiate School has an exemplary record of the highest academic achievements and a strong tradition of providing an ambitious education, a spirit of adventure and encouragement of individuality.

NLCS Dubai opened in September 2017 to provide a personalised pastoral care system alongside an ambitious education programme. We offer the International Baccalaureate

(IB) education to boys and girls from age 3 to 18, which includes the Primary Years Programme (PYP), Middle Years Programme (MYP) and Diploma (DP). The school is authorised for all three programmes and is an IB Continuum School.

Our Principal



James Monaghan first joined the NLCS family of schools in 2011 holding the role of Director of Boarding and Vice Principal at NLCS Jeju. He was appointed as Principal of NLCS Dubai in 2019 having been instrumental in the founding of the school as Vice Principal Curriculum. He has extensive experience in translating the NLCS (UK) philosophy into an international setting and how to ensure the elements that are uniquely 'NLCS' are brought to life. Under Mr Monaghan's leadership, NLCS Dubai has continued to grow and flourish into the highly successful educational establishment it is today.

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The NLCS Family of Schools



Our Unique Ethos



NLCS Dubai retains a deep connection to our London school and an unremitting commitment to replicating the NLCS quality and ethos in an international setting. Our mother school has a key role in recruiting and training our teaching staff. We benefit from our London school providing regular monitoring and inspections, and supporting our teacher recruitment and training. We are committed to forging substantial links between students and teachers across our school and dedicated to creating an international family community between London, Jeju, Singapore and us here in Dubai.

There is a certain 'alchemy' at work in NLCS Schools, which combines an ambitious academic education with distinctive pastoral care that truly values each individual and a range of extra-curricular activities that caters for every possible interest and talent. 'Everyone matters' at NLCS Schools, and that means every individual is well-known, is valued for who they are, and their contribution is celebrated.

Students develop confidence in their abilities and are encouraged to believe in themselves, take risks and stretch themselves beyond what they thought possible. We create ''floors not ceilings'' for our students and never limit what they can achieve.

Pastoral Care



Academic Excellence



Pastoral care is at the very heart of all we do in NLCS Dubai. Our students are cared for with individual attention and are supported and guided to achieve their potential through close relationships with our teachers, thus allowing them to flourish. Here at NLCS Dubai we provide a personalised pastoral programme which is strengths-based facilitating our students to reflect, explore and thrive, becoming the best versions of themselves. Our core values of care, courtesy and consideration are highly valued and modelled by all in the school.

NLCS (UK) is one of the top performing IB schools in the UK, with students achieving scores beyond the national average for over a decade. Here at NLCS Dubai we have achieved outstanding results in MYP and DP examinations. This academic success is derived from nurturing an enthusiasm for learning, a love of scholarship and a desire to succeed. We equip our students with the knowledge, skills and confidence needed to make the most of the opportunities they have.

Our 2021 International Baccalaureate Diploma and Middle Years Programme results showcase our world class achievements across the board. A 100% pass rate, students achieving perfect scores, a DP average of 40 and an MYP average of 49 position NLCS Dubai as the highest performing school in our region. Students have gained impressive University places at IVY League and Russell Group Universities.

Beyond The Classroom



At NLCS Dubai we have over 300 exciting extra-curricular activities on offer, which encourage students to explore their interests and develop new passions. Our clubs are led by experienced teachers in their area of subject expertise, as well as specialist external providers going far beyond the constraints of a conventional curriculum. The NLCS Extra-Curricular programme is characterised by a focus on developing subject passion through academic enrichment, academic societies and a vibrant lecture series which runs alongside our thriving creative arts and sports programmes.

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