

**American Community School**  
**England**

**ACS Cobham International School**

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**Accreditation:** The New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) The International Baccalaureate (IB)

**Programs:** Pre-School, Kindergarten, Elementary School, Middle School, High School, International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, University and College Counseling,

**Language of Instruction:** English

**Campuses:** There are four ASC Campuses: Cobham and Egham are both in Surrey, England. Hillingdon is in Middlesex and ACS Doha International School is located in Doha, Qatar.

**Housing:** Both on campus boarding and day school curriculums are available. Boarding is available from ages 12-18.

**Tuition:** A deposit of L200 must accompany every application.  
**Boarding Tuition varies, dependant upon age of student and boarding needs between L36,240-L43,730 per calendar year.**

**Out and About:**

Most people relocating to Surrey might think London the logical choice for arts and activities. Think again and consider exploring Guildford, a college town and well-known historical area, resplendent in rolling hills and other beautiful scenery. Guildford, Surrey is home to Windsor and Guildford Castles, Hampton Court and Clandon Park, art museums, cathedrals and monuments, restaurants, and shops. Take a walk through town on cobbled streets and relax at a café. Tour one of the few Universities in town, where ACS high school students can explore classes & programs that might interest them in the future. There's also Guildford Spectrum for ice-skating and other sporting adventures, The Airhop Trampoline Park, hiking on the Guildford Treasure Trail and Specky's Pirate Ship adventure, just to name a few family friendly and student activities.

**Culturally Speaking and London Bridges:**

Locally in Guildford, the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre puts on theatrical and comedic performances throughout the year. Entertainment in town is quite reasonable and relaxed, compared to the city. Of course there is always London, complete with its world-renowned Theatre District packed with everything from Broadway productions to Shakespearean plays, musicals, and more. Enjoy a tour at the Royal Opera House, read the lyrics to some of the Beatles songs at the British Library, visit some of the museums such as the Natural History Museum, the Science Museum and the National Gallery. Of course there are the top attractions like the Houses of Parliament, London Bridge, the View from the Shard, Westminster Abby, Buckingham Palace, take a walking tour behind the scenes at Hogwarts and meet a muggle or two ...enjoy and Cheerio!

**ACS History:**

Located 23 miles south of central London, ACS Cobham is one of four ACS campuses. Cobham is a co-educational international boarding and day school experience, with grounds spread out over 123 acres of land. Cobham boasts beautiful classrooms, sports facilities and tennis, golf, dance studio, competition-class swimming pool, soccer and rugby fields, student cafeteria and more. The campus welcomes 1300 students to its Surrey location and the admissions team is available throughout the year to answer questions and welcome new students.

ACS Cobham offers a traditional high school diploma, as well as the AP class curriculum and International Baccalaureate (IB) program. Students at Cobham attend prestigious universities around the world including Oxford, Cambridge, Harvard, Princeton, University of Pennsylvania, to name a few.

Students are encouraged to participate in international competitions in sports, theatre, music, math, and literature across Europe.

**Student Demographics:**

Total Enrollment: 2600      Boarding School Students: 100      Countries Represented: 70  
(At all ACS campuses):

Languages Spoken: 40

Highest IB Score: 33

**Learning Resource Center:** Students with documented learning needs are able to connect with the Learning Center at ACS. A Student Study Team (SST) determines admission to the program. Input and referrals from parents, teachers, an educational psychologist and medical professionals will set the learning criteria for individual students. Qualifying students will be allowed extended time on classroom exams and certain college entrance examinations.

**What Students Need to Know:**

Deciding on a school can be *stressful* so congratulations on your choice to attend ACS Cobham in Surrey! A culturally diverse and outstanding educational program is just the beginning of what you'll gain at Cobham. From AP classes and IB programs to studies in Namibia, Cobham students and faculty know the value of giving back to the world to make it a better place. Students have the option to travel and learn together as they work towards common goals. Extracurricular activities in sports, theatre and the arts are just a part of Cobham's curriculum. You're also encouraged to participate in various clubs: journalism, chess, dance, creative writing, NHS, photography, recycling, student council, to name a few. And what would Cobham be without active participation in various charities like: Habitat for Humanity, World Challenge Namibia, Kingston Cancer Appeal, Fashion Show Fundraiser, Model UN or more? Get ready to be challenged and excited...your educational *adventure* begins here!

**What Parents Need to Know:**

1. Boarding School Students will have an assigned Parent Resident, throughout the year at ACS, who will help monitor their progress and assess any needs, if necessary.
2. There are counsellors available for college and university counselling, to help the student with the application process.

**Academic Travel:** ACS highlights community involvement with their Disaster Relief Fund and learning opportunities in Namibia.

**Specific Areas of Study:**

**International Baccalaureate Program (IB):** The IB Program is an academically demanding, comprehensive and very rigorous program for students ages 16-18. Those students who desire a more challenging program or other students who need the IB program to gain entrance into the university of their choice, should apply to the IB program.

**Advanced Placement (AP) Courses:** There are many college-level AP courses offered at ACS. Students are encouraged to take the courses and examinations, in order to receive college credit.

**Career Related Program:** IBCP (career-related) education incorporates the need for students who would enjoy a curriculum that is career-based in theory. The program is molded into a framework that allows the students and the school to take a different path, but within the principles of the IB program.

**Performing Arts:** The performing arts are an integral part of the ACS curriculum, with at least six theatrical productions annually. Students take part in every aspect of production, both on and off stage. The school music program also plays a major part of the curriculum as the students have the opportunity to work with area professionals as well as faculty in all aspects of every production. These performances take place in the 500+ seat auditorium, which opened in August, 2014.



**Residential Living**

Every student is in a two-bedroom study suite with a private bathroom. The rooms come furnished with wardrobes, beds, lamps, desks and bookcases. All students have access to the school's new dining hall, laundry facilities, and lounge. There is also WiFi available throughout the Boarding House. Dormers are free to use the sports facilities and pool, as well as the weight training, dance and aerobics studio.

**Resident Parents:** All boarding students are assigned a "resident parent", or supervisor to help them throughout their time at Cobham. The supervisor will help monitor and guide them with schoolwork or personal situations, should they arise. There are also counsellors and a school nurse on staff.

**Sports and Athletics-** ACS Cobham is the home of The Cougars! This year, the school was selected as the official training ground for the 2015 Rugby World Cup. Cobham runs different teams from the Middle School, Junior Varsity and Varsity divisions and competes against other international schools in the UK, Europe and Africa. Every year, Cobham concluded its season with the International Schools Sports Tournament (ISST). The school typically competes in basketball, volleyball, track and field, softball, soccer, swimming, rugby, dance, golf and tennis.



*ACS Cobham is an inclusive, co-ed, international community of students, dedicated to education, community service and growth. There's something for everyone at Cobham...with endless possibilities, the sky is the limit!*

