

## ISC sixth forms offering fee assistance in Luton

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## What is an independent school?

Independent schools (also commonly known as private schools) are not funded by the government and therefore charge school fees, though many also offer bursaries (fee reductions). They are 'independent' because of their freedom to operate outside government and local government control. Being independent means that private schools are free from government control in areas such as admissions, curriculum and assessment, although safeguarding and child protection requirements still apply.

## Fee assistance and independent schools

The Independent Schools Council (ISC) ([www.isc.co.uk](http://www.isc.co.uk)) has over 1,300 independent school members. Over a third of the pupils attending an ISC school are on reduced school fees as a result of a school bursary or scholarship. If you are interested in finding out about ISC schools with a sixth form who offer scholarships and/or bursaries in Luton then you can find them listed below along with information about the school and the fee assistance that they offer.

The ISC school search is also a very useful resource to find schools. You can search by a range of search criteria such as location, age range and by bursary or scholarship type. The schools search can be accessed here: <https://www.isc.co.uk/schools/>

General information about scholarships and bursaries at ISC schools as well as more about independent schools can be found on the ISC website here: <https://www.isc.co.uk/schools/information-for-parents/>

## Luton schools in membership of The Association of Muslim Schools

- Al-Hikmah Boys' School
- Bury Park Educational Institute (Al - Hikmah Secondary School)
- Jamiatul Uloom Al-Islamia
- Rabia Girls & Boys School

## ISC schools with a sixth form and offering fee assistance within 5 miles of central Luton

None

ISC schools with a sixth form and offering fee assistance from 5-10 miles of central Luton

- St Albans High School for Girls
- St Albans School
- St Columba's College

St Albans High School for Girls

<https://www.isc.co.uk/schools/england/hertfordshire/st-albans/st-albans-high-school-for-girls/>

**Address**

Townsend Avenue  
St Albans  
Hertfordshire  
AL1 3SJ

+44 (0)1727 853800

Religious affiliation: Christian

Day/boarding type: Day  
Gender profile: Girls only  
Size: 1150

Girls - age range & pupil numbers:

Day: 4 to 18 (1150)

Sixth form: (190)

Day fees per term:

£5,185 to £6,665

**Fee assistance**

- Academic scholarships
- Art scholarships
- Choral scholarships
- Design scholarships
- Drama scholarships
- Music scholarships
- Sport scholarships
- Sixth Form scholarships
- Sibling discounts
- Bursaries for new entrants
- Hardship awards for existing pupils

[More bursary and scholarship information](#)

St Albans School

<https://www.isc.co.uk/schools/england/hertfordshire/st-albans/st-albans-school/>

**Address**

Abbey Gateway  
St Albans  
Hertfordshire  
AL3 4HB

+44 (0)1727 855521

Religious affiliation: All Faiths

Day/boarding type: Day

Size: 890

Boys - age range & pupil numbers:

Day: 11 to 18 (814)

Sixth form: (251)

Girls - age range & pupil numbers:

Day: 16 to 18 (76)

Sixth form: (76)

Day fees per term:

£6,630

### **Fee assistance**

- Academic scholarships
- Art scholarships
- Choral scholarships
- Music scholarships
- Sport scholarships
- Sixth Form scholarships
- Sibling discounts
- Bursaries for new entrants
- Hardship awards for existing pupils
- Lump sum payment discounts

The value of the majority of scholarship awards is in the region of 10% of the fees. Awards in excess of 20% are made only in exceptional circumstances and in no case will a scholarship award exceed 50%. The School offers Choral, Academic, Art, Music and Sport scholarships.

#### **ENTRY AT 11+**

Academic Scholarships are awarded on the basis of performance in the Entrance Examination. No subject-specific Scholarships are available at this level, with the exception of choral scholarships, (see below).

All boys registered for entry at 11+ will be automatically considered for scholarships; a separate application is not required.

#### **CHORAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

These are awarded on entry at 11+ only, on the basis of audition. Those to whom awards are made must first meet the academic criteria for entry in the 11+ entrance examination.

#### **ENTRY AT 13+**

#### **ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Academic Scholarship examinations take place at the beginning of February over three days.

Candidates sit papers in English, Maths, Science, French, History, Geography and optional Latin.

#### ART, MUSIC AND SPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

Assessments take place towards the end of the same week as the Academic Scholarships. They are open to both internal and external candidates.

#### ENTRY AT 16+

The Scholarship examination will be held in November, and consists of a Verbal Reasoning test, plus papers in two subjects of the candidate's choosing. The optional subjects should normally be two of those the candidate intends to study at A level, or a closely related one where the intention is to take up a subject which has not been studied at GCSE. The value of the Scholarship awards is in the region of 10% and in no case exceeds 50% of the fees. Music Scholarships are also available, auditions and interviews also take place in November.

#### BURSARIES

The School's Bursaries broaden access by offering means-tested financial support with the payment of school fees to eligible families. Bursaries provide a discount of up to 100% on tuition fees. Parents who believe they might qualify for financial assistance are advised to firstly read our Bursary Policy, found on the School's website.

#### St Columba's College

<https://www.isc.co.uk/schools/england/hertfordshire/st-albans/st-columbas-college/>

#### Address

King Harry Lane  
St Albans  
Hertfordshire  
AL3 4AW

+44 (0)1727 855185

Religious affiliation: Roman Catholic

Day/boarding type: Day

Gender profile: Coeducational

Size: 756

Boys - age range & pupil numbers:

Day: 4 to 18 (724)

Sixth form: (110)

Girls - age range & pupil numbers:

Day: 4 to 18 (32)

Sixth form: (21)

Day fees per term:

£3,808 to £5,703

### **School fee assistance**

- Academic scholarships
- Music scholarships
- Sport scholarships
- Clergy discounts
- Sibling discounts
- Bursaries for new entrants
- Hardship awards for existing pupils

There is bursary information [here](#).