Boarders are confident, polite and articulate and they demonstrate a pride both in their School and in the Boarding Houses.

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A friendly, family atmosphere

At Loughborough Schools Foundation, we have a long and proud tradition of boarding. Denton House and School House are our two welcoming Boarding Houses which accommodate a close-knit community of 64 boys within the campus. Each House is supervised by a resident Housemaster and his wife, who lead a team of staff committed to the wellbeing of the boys in their care.

Our Boarders enjoy a rich daily life and, as a small community within an extensive campus, they are treated as individuals while benefiting from the opportunity to take advantage of the vast resources available on campus. Boys have access to the wide range of school facilities and an extensive extra-curricular programme.

We also provide the flexibility of either termly or weekly boarding, with the option of staying on campus during exeat weekends.

Boarding life helps boys to develop responsibility, co-operation and compassion and learn how to share experiences, develop independence and gain self-confidence. The boarding community quickly develop close friendships, which provide the boys with a real sense of security and comradeship.

When our boys leave us as young men, they will be equipped both academically and with the skills to enable them to work independently as well as within a group. They will be endowed with the abilities, values and confidence to not only contribute, but to also succeed in their chosen path.

The Boarding Team and I would be delighted to welcome you and your son to Loughborough Grammar School.

Duncan Byrne, Headmaster
At the heart of England

Nestled in the centre of the Midlands, Loughborough occupies a unique position within the country being equidistant to many of the UK’s largest cities, as well as areas of great natural beauty.
Loughborough is just 1 hour and 20 minutes away from London. Its central UK position and superb road and rail links make it a highly convenient and accessible location. The nearby cities of Leicester, Nottingham and Derby are also only 30 minutes away and have good transport links.

With regular scheduled flights from European and International destinations to East Midlands Airport (only 7 miles away), and Birmingham, Manchester and Heathrow also within commutable distance, Loughborough is within easy reach of most international routes.

Please note: We provide an airport transfer service to Heathrow at the beginning and end of each term.
Loughborough
A thriving market town with over a 1,000 year history, Loughborough has a population of just over 55,000. Loughborough University, renowned for its sporting and engineering excellence, makes the town cosmopolitan, lively and academic.

This unique location offers boys the safety and security of a small provincial town alongside all the amenities of a university location (shops, cinemas, restaurants and more), all within easy walking distance of our town centre campus.

Our location is ideal for exploring nearby cities, as well as tourist attractions such as the Peak District, Sherwood Forest and the National Space Centre. Sport is a passion here with famous local football clubs such as Nottingham Forest, Leicester City (Premier League Champions 2016) and Derby County. Test Match cricket can also be enjoyed at Trent Bridge in Nottingham and one of England’s biggest Rugby clubs, Leicester Tigers, can be seen in action in Leicester.

Loughborough is close to the National Forest and the rolling hills of the Leicestershire Wolds, home to quintessentially English countryside and traditional villages.

Loughborough University is internationally renowned for its research and teaching excellence and has very strong links with the local community.
Our Junior boys

Denton House is our Junior Boarding House and promotes family-style boarding with Prefects assisting the Housemaster in daily routines, ensuring every aspect of the House runs smoothly. Denton has rooms to accommodate up to 32 boys.
Housemaster and Head of Year 7, Jeremy Parton

"Denton House is inclusive and friendly, where boys gain stability from a supportive team of House staff and a comfortable daily routine. This provides a safe and secure environment so that they can thrive. Learning to live away from home teaches boys resilience and independence, a spirit of tolerance and an understanding of the needs of others. Each evening, we hold a House meeting to discuss the day’s issues and suggest ideas for events and outings. We are rightly proud of our superb record of supporting boys who need extra help to integrate into our boarding community and school life.”
Our Senior boys

School House is our Senior Boarding House and is for Sixth Form boys - Years 12 and 13. Based in the original Headmaster's house, School House accommodates 32 Boarders in both twin and single occupancy rooms.
Housemaster and Director of Sport, Mike Broadley

“We provide a warm, supportive home where friendships and social skills are nurtured. We warmly welcome all students, whatever their nationality or culture, and pastoral care is always paramount.

Our step-by-step induction process is also supported by existing fellow Boarders - this ‘buddy’ system helps each individual to settle in quickly.

We produce able, confident young men who can meet the challenges ahead. Boarding with us develops life skills, tolerance and responsibility.

The friendships created here are positive and life-long. Pupils and staff are a second family, where close and supportive relationships are the norm.

This structure is enormously beneficial in focusing the boys’ academic efforts and helping them to fulfil their potential. Here, life is busy and the boys are happy.”
Comfortable & contemporary

Denton House and School House have both benefited from an extensive modernisation programme in recent years to ensure a restful, spacious and well-equipped environment for all our Boarders.

There has been much investment in the upgrading of boarding accommodation in recent years.

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Situated in the heart of the campus, both Boarding Houses are well appointed with large, comfortable bedrooms. Every Boarder has a study-bedroom with considerable storage space, a large desk, wardrobe, shelves and drawers. Younger boys can share rooms of four, whilst boys in Years 11 and above, share twin rooms. Meanwhile, School House has a small number of single rooms for the Boarders in Year 13.

Every boy has very comfortable surroundings that are fully centrally heated, with common rooms, laundry facilities, kitchens and a health centre on site. Not forgetting individual workstations and Wi-Fi.
Caring for your son
With highly experienced Housemasters and staff in both of our Boarding Houses, you can be assured that your son is well-cared for.

There are medical facilities on site and all staff have been trained by the Boarding Schools Association. Our most important role is to look after your son’s wellbeing and ensure he enjoys his time as a Boarder.

The arrangements for welfare and safeguarding are excellent.

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All the right ingredients

We see mealtimes as an important opportunity to meet together and to share each other's company, as well as enjoying an excellent nutritious meal.
The Loughborough Grammar School kitchen serves a delicious menu of international cuisine for breakfast, lunch and dinner:

The food is healthy and of excellent quality. Our Boarders also meet with the catering staff every half term to discuss the food options and to suggest changes to the menu.

All the main meals are taken in the School dining hall, the Burton Hall, and both Boarding Houses also have their own fully equipped kitchens where boys can make snacks and drinks.
Out & about
School life is not all about academic success, of course.

We arrange a varied programme of non-academic activities for Boarders at evenings and weekends, which includes sports clubs, mountain biking, ten-pin bowling, going to watch professional football and rugby events, and regular visits to London.

Boarders can also take advantage of classic British School opportunities such as the Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Scheme, the Combined Cadet Force and not to mention an extraordinary range of school trips.
Best of British

We know that our overseas Boarders gain the most from a British education when they also truly engage with our traditions and way of life.
Our cultural programme is popular for settling in. By being introduced to British culture, Boarders come to understand the context of British life as well as its language.

We run regular cultural trips to English cities, such as York and Oxford to further enhance our students’ appreciation of the history and culture of our wonderful country, as well as to give them another opportunity to have some fun!
English excellence

One of the greatest assets that an overseas Boarder gains with us is an improved grasp of English, because we want to provide your son with the language skills for successful future study at a UK university.
Every boy is initially assessed upon starting at the School and those identified as in need of English support are subsequently taught in small groups. These language classes help prepare boys for the Cambridge English examinations and the IELTS English exam (required to enter most UK universities), for university interviews and for social and recreational situations.

Our specialist English-language coordinator, has 14 years’ experience of teaching English to non-native speakers from countries including China, Japan, Thailand, Malaysia, India, Sri Lanka, and Russia. Her learner-centred approach to teaching, builds on existing knowledge and skills, and sets targets for development and improvement.
Our Boarders are our best endorsement...

Jonny Chan (Year 13, 2017)

“I’ve had the opportunity to meet different people and this has brought me a lot of joy during the last two years. I particularly enjoyed our formal Christmas dinner because we all dressed up, shared laughter and took pictures to capture this precious moment.

Being here has developed my character and made me more independent and has definitely created a better side of me. I have become calmer, happier and less pessimistic which is the biggest gift from boarding.

My only advice is to be proud of your personality and then you will make many friends.”
Wilson Chan (Year 10, 2017)

“Life as a Boarder has undoubtedly been challenging, but delightful – I’ve made so many friends and had such an amazing time here.

Boarding plays a vital part in my whole British school experience. I especially love our exciting twice-a-week sports hall events where I play football or basketball with my friends. We run and sweat and laugh together as we put all our school work behind us and enjoy ourselves. I just love the fact that we have access to the fantastic facilities in the campus even after school.

I’ve always treasured friendship but I’ve also learned to tolerate and understand the other Boarders. Living under the same roof, we all came from different places with different lifestyles – so shared understanding is crucial.

If you’re thinking of boarding, I’m sure you’ll have an extraordinary experience too.”
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