



# Cambridge Lower Secondary: a guide for parents

Cambridge Lower Secondary prepares your child for the next step of their education. It is part of our Cambridge Pathway programme that prepares students with the knowledge and skills they need for life, helping them thrive at school, university and work.

## A love of learning

Our programme is built around what matters most to your child as they progress in their education:

**A broad curriculum for a balanced education:** A wide choice of 10 subjects, including English, mathematics and science. There are also plenty of opportunities to develop creativity, expression and personal wellbeing through subjects like art, music and physical education.

**A clear path to progress, step by step:** Each stage of the programme builds on the previous one or from other educational systems, so your child will feel confident that they are ready for the next step of their education.

**A global learner in a local context:** Cambridge Lower Secondary helps students discover new abilities and a wider world. Subjects like Cambridge Global Perspectives™ nurture a broad outlook, helping your child to understand their own culture, community and identity as well as those of others in different parts of the world.

**A flexible approach:** Cambridge Lower Secondary works alongside local and national curricula, giving your child an international education that fits into their context.

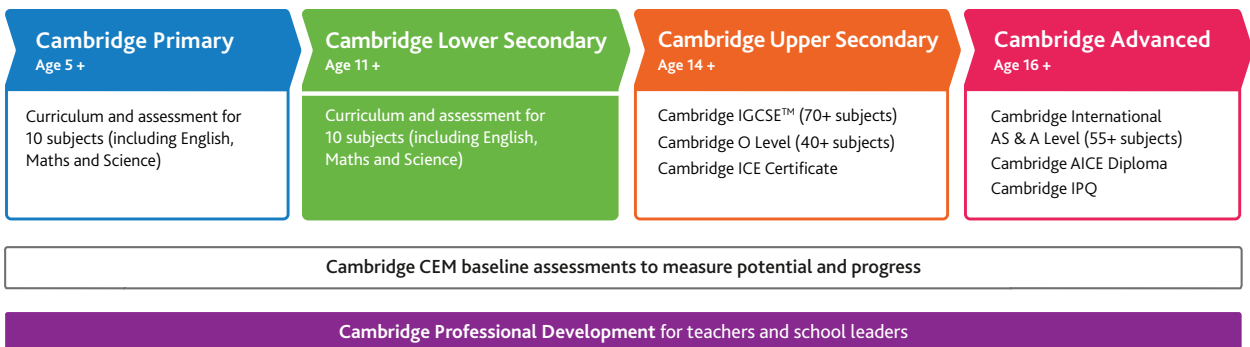


**An aligned programme based on the latest research:** We believe education works best when curriculum, teaching, learning and assessment align. This way, your child can enjoy a richer learning experience and develop as a life-long learner.

## Cambridge Pathway



A clear path for educational success from age 5 to 19



### How will your child benefit?

Your child's needs as a learner are at the heart of our approach to education. This approach supports schools in developing learners who are:

- **confident** in working with information and ideas – their own and those of others
- **responsible** for themselves, responsive to and respectful of others
- **reflective** and developing their ability to learn
- **innovative** and equipped for new and future challenges
- **engaged** intellectually and socially, ready to make a difference.

### Trusted assessments. Recognised qualifications.

Cambridge Lower Secondary prepares your child for success in the later stages of education. All subjects feed into the relevant Cambridge Upper Secondary qualifications.

Teachers can monitor your child's development through progress checks and assessments that we have built into the programme. We offer a range of options for them to choose from, depending on your school's ethos and context, to identify the best ways to support your child:

- **Computer-based assessments** to measure and benchmark learners' potential and identify learning needs.
- **Teachers can assess some subjects** in the classroom and discuss with your child 'what went well' and how to improve further.
- **Cambridge Lower Secondary Progression Tests** help teachers understand your child's strengths throughout the school year and areas where they need more help. These short tests indicate where your child is on their learning journey, instead of just showing right or wrong answers.
- **Cambridge Checkpoint tests** are marked externally by Cambridge International, and can be taken in the final year of Cambridge Lower Secondary. Your child will receive a statement of achievement and your school will receive detailed feedback about their performance.

Cambridge International

**The world's  
leading provider**  
of international education  
**for 5 to 19 year-olds**

A community of over  
 **10 000  
schools**  
**in 160 countries**

Established **in 1858**

We are part of the  
**University of Cambridge**

### A global learning community

With the Cambridge Pathway, your child is joining a global community of learners from more than 10 000 schools in over 160 countries. By developing a global outlook in Cambridge learners, we aim to equip them for success in the fast-changing modern world.

**Would you like to know more?** Visit [www.cambridgeinternational.org/lowersecondary](http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/lowersecondary) or contact your school.



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