Boarding Boys: Building Cultures of Achievement

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MISSION

The International Boys' Schools Coalition is dedicated to the education and development of boys world-wide, the professional growth of those who work with them, and the advocacy and the advancement of institutions – primarily schools for boys – that serve them.
BOARDING PROFILE

7%  all boarding
22%  boarding/day
24%  day/boarding
47%  day
Boarding in the 21st Century: New Paradigm
THE FOCUS ON THE BOY

- Developmental
- Social-emotional
- Relational
- Character
- Learning: engagement and achievement
FIVE AREAS OF EFFECTIVE PRACTICE IN BOYS’ BOARDING SCHOOLS

1. Classroom
2. Co-curricular Activities
3. School Community
4. Supporting Boys
5. Organizational and Strategic Focus
Belief Statement

“We are a school for boys: an environment for living and learning built around a boy’s unique qualities, dedicated to cultivating each boy’s potential and serving each boy’s needs.”
The Minds of Boys
Saving Our Sons from Falling Behind in School and Life

From the Author of the Best-Selling The Wonder of Boys

MICHAEL GURIAN
and Kathy Stevens
THE NEW GENDER GAP

Why boys are falling behind girls in education—and what it means for the economy, business, and society
The Boy Crisis

At Every Level of Education, They're Falling Behind. What to Do?
THE TROUBLE WITH BOYS
A SURPRISING REPORT CARD on Our Sons, Their Problems at School, and What Parents and Educators Must Do
PEG TYRE
Center for the Study of Boys’ Lives Research Project 2005-06

SURVEY OF BEST PRACTICES

- Compose short summaries of two lessons you’ve taught that have been particularly successful in teaching boys.

- List several themes, specific practices or pedagogical (or coaching) techniques that are evidenced in the lessons you described.
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- Making boys actively impose themselves on the material under consideration.
- Imaginative use of "dramatic points of entry" in introducing new or difficult material.
- Converting ordinary classroom business into playful and competitive gaming.
- Blending of cooperation and competition to energize students in the classroom.
- High count of the successful practices reported there was a considerable amount of motor activity involved in the learning.
CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

• Team Sports
• Kiski Service Organization
• Fine Arts Program
SCHOOL COMMUNITY

- Prefect System
- Big Brothers Program
- Cougar Cup
SUPPORTING BOYS

• Advisory System
• Life-Skills Curriculum
• S.O. C. Committee
ORGANIZATIONAL FOCUS

• Involvement with I.B.S.C.
• “Teaching Boys” seminar
• Data-driven program assessments
Core Values

- Honor and Moral Integrity
- Intellectual Thoroughness
- Reverence for Things Sacred
- Civility and Good Sportsmanship
Wisdom of Teaching in Boys' Schools
GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES

Surveys and benchmarks