



Press Release

CCHS 16th in the country, The Sunday Times Parent Power Guide 2026

Earlier in the Autumn Term, the Great British Schools Guide published national research based on parent feedback via the Ofsted Parent View survey. Based on the percentage of parents who agreed or strongly agreed with the statement “the school makes sure its pupils are well behaved”, CCHS is joint 3rd in England and 1st in the East of England. The Great British Schools Guide also listed “the safest state schools in England, as rated by parents” through the Ofsted Parent View survey; CCHS is 6th nationally and 2nd in the East of England.

Later in the Autumn Term, the Department for Education released GCSE attainment data for England. The success of CCHS students in the summer 2025 examinations places their achievements 15th in the country, across state and independent schools, from a total of 6,579 schools. And at the weekend, The Sunday Times Parent Power Guide 2026 will be published, in relation to 2025 GCSE and A-level results. The newspaper provides listings, both by region and nationally. In terms of the headlines for CCHS:

- 1st in East Anglia, state girls' schools
- 3rd in East Anglia, all state schools
- 6th nationally, state girls' schools
- 16th in the country overall (all state schools)

This marks the fourth consecutive year that the achievements of CCHS students have featured in the Top 20 state schools nationally.

The research and data provided by the Great British Schools Guide, the Department for Education and The Sunday Times Parent Power Guide demonstrate the significant interplay between pastoral strength and academic success. Mr Lawlor, Headteacher, said: “Thank you to CCHS staff for their outstanding work and commitment, to CCHS families for the support and encouragement of our work with your wonderful daughters, and many congratulations to CCHS students, who exemplify the power and importance of scholarly excellence.”

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Notes to editor:

About Chelmsford County High School for Girls (CCHS)

Chelmsford County High School for Girls (CCHS) is a proud girls' school community. CCHS was formally opened on 1st May 1907, with 76 inspiring students on roll, to provide girls with an academic education. By 2025, there are 1,276 extraordinary girls and young women, representing cultures and traditions from the world over, who are part of our progressive grammar school community, committed to excellence in girls' education and empowerment.

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