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North London Collegiate School Announces Intention to Launch in Hong Kong *NLCS and the HOEH Group work together to support international education in Hong Kong*

[Hong Kong, 4 November 2025] – North London Collegiate School (“NLCS”), one of the United Kingdom’s top independent schools, has announced plans to open a co-educational school in Hong Kong. NLCS Hong Kong will provide an international education to families with the distinctive ethos of NLCS. The School will be opened in partnership with local partner, HOEH Group.

Teaching staff appointed to NLCS Hong Kong will be recruited from around the world and will receive training at the founding NLCS campus in the UK to ensure a thorough understanding of the NLCS ethos and standards of excellence.

The proposed NLCS Hong Kong curriculum will be rooted in that of NLCS (UK), sharing its focus on academic rigour and scholarship whilst incorporating elements designed to cater for a truly international cohort aspiring to attend elite universities across the world. NLCS believes in nurturing a culture of scholarship in both staff and students creating a community of exceptional people with the brightest of futures.

NLCS Hong Kong joins the highly successful NLCS Family of Schools, comprising NLCS (UK) (established 1850), NLCS Jeju (established 2011), NLCS Dubai (established 2017), NLCS (Singapore) (established 2020) and NLCS Kobe (established 2025).

“We are delighted to be working with HOEH to bring NLCS’s unique blend of academic ambition and individual support for every child to Hong Kong, and we look forward to welcoming families and staff to the newest member of the NLCS family of schools,” commented *Gwen Byrom, Director of Education Strategy, NLCS International*.

About North London Collegiate School (UK)

North London Collegiate School (UK) is a top independent day school for girls aged 4-18. Since its founding in 1850, generations of students have received an ambitious academic education and formed a bond with NLCS, which lasts forever. The School provides a carefully judged blend of support and challenge, a friendly and warm atmosphere, glorious facilities, and extensive extra-curricular activities.

NLCS is one of the most academically successful schools in England, with over 40% of students each year gaining places at the top 20 universities globally. NLCS has been one of the most successful IB schools in the UK for several years and is among the highest performing IB schools in the world, with an average IB score in 2025 of 42.9.

NLCS's international schools are supported by NLCS International, a dedicated team based at North London Collegiate School, in the UK.

The NLCS Family of Schools

At the heart of NLCS schools is a common educational vision – a determination to instil a love of learning. Each school has a set of values that are based on a common set of beliefs, which underpin the common and distinctive philosophy of all North London Collegiate Schools.

The NLCS International ensures that every international school within the family embodies the ethos of an 'NLCS' education. To achieve this, NLCS International (NLCSI) provides comprehensive guidance, monitoring, and quality assurance to ensure each school in the NLCS family achieves consistent excellence while embracing the unique character of its local community.

Commitment to Excellence

Each school undergoes regular evaluations conducted by a team of experts, including specialists from the Founding School in the UK. These assessments cover academic, pastoral, and operational quality, ensuring the highest standards are upheld. Additionally, NLCSI provides ongoing support to school leadership teams, offering expertise in academic, pastoral, and business matters as required.

A Collaborative Culture

NLCS cultivates close connections across the Founding and sister schools through student and staff exchanges, joint departmental projects, educational trips, and shared extra-curricular activities, such as video-conference debates and joint student publications. This collaborative approach enriches the educational experience, enabling students to benefit from a dynamic and interconnected learning environment enhancing their global outlook and sense of belonging to a dynamic international community.

Distinct yet Unified

While every school within the NLCS family shares a common educational ethos, each school is distinct and unique, reflecting its local culture and community while adhering to our core values and philosophy. This balance ensures that every student, regardless of location, receives the same exceptional quality of education and opportunities to realise their full potential.

About HOEH

The HOEH team consists of highly seasoned senior leaders from international and local education, IT and finance sectors with decades of experience setting up international schools and running successful education business and investment firms. Committed to Hong Kong's development as a talent and education hub, HOEH is the exclusive NLCS Hong Kong cooperation partner, with extensive local, Greater China, APAC and overseas networks in international education, education policy, STEM and EduTech, Chinese culture and education-related investments.

"It is rare to find like-minded educationists among an ocean of practitioners who all claim to be able to prepare our next generation for a world that we have not seen. The NLCS model of education stands out as a refreshing and innovative approach in today's landscape. With its proven curriculum and adaptable delivery, NLCS demonstrates a unique capability to thrive in diverse local contexts.

This level of professionalism is precisely what HOEH educators have been seeking to bring world-class education to Hong Kong. The impressive network of schools established by NLCS in key financial, economic, and cultural centres speaks volumes. I am confident that our collaboration — blending their Western expertise with our Eastern wisdom — will attract the best and brightest young minds to join and ensure that our new schools become shining jewels in the NLCS crown and a source of pride for Hong Kong," *commented Antony Tong Kai Hong, BBS, Chairman of the HOEH Group.*

Frequently asked questions

What year groups/grades will the School serve initially?

The opening grades of the school will be confirmed soon. The school will develop in a series of phases and ultimately offer a 'through-train' experience from Grades 1 to 12.

What curriculum will be offered?

In line with NLCS's educational philosophy, the School will deliver a rigorous and ambitious curriculum, encouraging curiosity, independent thinking and academic achievement with a strong global outlook. NLCS Schools are renowned for their excellence in preparing students for success in globally recognised qualifications and securing places for students at top higher education institutions around the world.

Why has NLCS International chosen Hong Kong for expanding its global footprint?

Hong Kong is home to dynamic, forward-thinking communities that value outstanding education. NLCS International is proud to contribute to this landscape by offering a globally respected model of education grounded in academic ambition and care for each other.

How can families and prospective staff stay informed?

There will be a dedicated website for NLCS Hong Kong complete with communication channels in the coming month. In the meantime, updates will be shared via the NLCS International website (www.nlcsinternational.co.uk) and NLCS' official media channels.

The NLCS family of schools has a strong track record in the International Baccalaureate Diploma. How will this shared experience and expertise benefit students In Hong Kong?

One of the great strengths of being part of the NLCS family is the depth of experience across all NLCS schools. In 2025, NLCS UK students achieved an average International Baccalaureate score of 42.9, ranking first nationally and second globally, with one student achieving a perfect score. NLCS' international schools also performed strongly, with averages of 37.0 at NLCS Jeju, 36.8 at NLCS Dubai and 36.7 at NLCS Singapore. All schools enabled at least one student to achieve a perfect score, and over 25% of students across the family of schools achieved over 40 points.

This shared expertise allows NLCS to offer students a rich and well supported academic experience. Teachers and school leaders collaborate across campuses and students benefit from a proven model that helps them achieve their personal best.

How will NLCS Hong Kong collaborate with other NLCS schools around the world?

As part of the NLCS family of schools, students and staff will benefit from a truly global network. NLCS Hong Kong will work closely with sister schools through shared academic initiatives, joint events, leadership conferences and cultural exchanges. Whether through student visits, collaborative projects or virtual learning opportunities, NLCS' aim is to ensure every student feels part of something bigger than a single campus: a worldwide community united by a shared ethos and commitment to excellence.

How will this collaboration contribute to the local community?

A school should be a cornerstone of its community. From the outset, NLCS Hong Kong is committed to building meaningful partnerships with local organisations, cultural institutions, and businesses. We want our students to engage actively with their surroundings through service, outreach, and collaboration, learning to be thoughtful, compassionate citizens. NLCS Hong Kong will not only educate young people but also contribute positively to the life and energy of the local area.

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