**Synopsis of Wellington College Academy Trust**

**Wellington College Our Sponsor**

Wellington College Academy Trust sits as part of a broader family of schools linked to Wellington College in Berskhire, which is the sponsor school of the Wellington College Academy Trust. The college was founded in 1859 as a national memorial to the Duke of Wellington. The Wellington family of schools comprises of:

* [Eagle House](https://www.eaglehouseschool.com/%22%20%5Ct%20%22new)
* [The Wellington Academy](https://www.thewellingtonacademy.org.uk/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) (A Wellington College Academy Trust school)
* [Wellington Primary Academy](https://www.wellingtonprimary.org.uk/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) (A Wellington College Academy Trust school)
* [Wellington College International China](https://www.wellingtoncollegeintl.cn/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) is the partner of Wellington College comprising three schools
* [Wellington College International Tianjin](https://www.wellington-tianjin.cn/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)
* [Wellington College International Shanghai](https://www.wellington-shanghai.cn/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)
* [Wellington College China Bilingual Shanghai](https://www.wellingtoncollege.cn/bilingualshanghai%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)

Wellington College’s sponsorship of the Trust aims to break down the barrier between state and independent education and Wellington College parents very generously help to fund some of our resources and programmes. As part of the family of Wellington schools, our children benefit from working closely with both Eagle House Prep School and Wellington College on joint activities and shared learning opportunities. Our staff work closely with Eagle House and Wellington College staff to provide enriching educational experiences and shared staff skills.

**The Wellington College Academy Trust**

The Wellington College Academy Trust currently includes two schools. The Wellington Academy, a secondary school and state boarding school for students aged 11-18 and Wellington Primary Academy for pupils up to age 11, including The Nest Nursery and an Enterprise Company. The Trust is growing with Wellington Eagles Primary Academy and a 30 place Nursery opening in September 2019. The Wellington Academy is due for expansion as part of the rebasing of the Army to the UK from Germany.

The Trust's core vision for the Tidworth and Ludgershall communities is:

* To provide an outstanding holistic education
* To raise aspiration of the children at its schools and, by extension, their families
* To provide outstanding pathways to employment
* To strengthen the community around its schools

**The Wellington Academy**

The Wellington Academy was opened in 2009 and is proud of its aspirational and inclusive educational offer. There are approximately 860 students on roll, which will increase with the rebasing of the Army with many being stationed in Tidworth and Perham Down.

Our vision at the Wellington Academy is simple. We strive for the Academy to be a happy community where everyone is valued and respects each other. We achieve well, believe in ourselves and have limitless aspirations. We are determined to make this vision statement more than just words, ensuring that it permeates through every vein of our school. We offer a curriculum that is enriching and innovative. Our young people (through our curriculum) have opportunities to develop their leadership skills and foster a strong sense of charity and community service. Through our enrichment programme students unearth talents, pursue passions and develop a strong sense of self belief and value.

Our strong links with the army, a high percentage of forces children and a 100 students’ capacity boarding house mean that our students are diverse, culturally rich and together add a wealth of experiences to our Academy. We bring together our community through strong house systems and community groups, which are often displayed at our numerous charity events, house competitions and annual summer creative arts and sports festival.

**Wellington Primary Academy**

Wellington Primary Academy opened in September 2014 as part of the Wellington College Academy Trust will have approximately 420 students on roll when fully open. The purpose-built school is based within the housing development in NEQ (North East Quadrant), Tidworth and caters for pupils from Reception through to Year 6.

Our ambition for Wellington Primary is the same ambition we have for all schools in the Wellington Family: to provide an outstanding education for all its pupils. At Wellington Primary pupils will learn how to work hard and study well, to be good and do good, setting them up for a future of success and wellbeing whatever they choose to do in their lives.

At Wellington Primary Academy we firmly believe that every child in our care has the right to be truly inspired by an engaging and purposeful curriculum. We have dedicated staff who are passionate about providing our children with enriching and exciting experiences so that they can all achieve success in their learning journey. We actively encourage our children to be enthusiastic, resilient, collaborative and aspirational and believe that this supports them on their path to becoming life-long learners. We support our children to grow into positive, well rounded citizens and work alongside them to encourage bravery, positivity, respect, kindness and honesty. By instilling these values we give children the chance to shine and be proud of all that they achieve, both academically and personally.

**The Nest**

The Nest is a purpose built building adjacent to the Wellington Primary Academy and offers full day care facilities to children aged 2-5 years from Tidworth and the surrounding areas. We cater for up to 30 children per session and accept government funded sessions. Our opening times are from 7.30am-6.00pm (term time only) Monday to Friday. We are open for 48 weeks a year, closing for two weeks over the Christmas period and two weeks over the beginning of the Summer Holiday.

Through enhanced learning we aim to inspire our children to develop their sense of self-worth and individuality. We understand that parents are their child’s first teachers and we work in partnership to prepare them for their journey through education.

**Wellington Eagles Primary Academy**

Wellington Eagles Primary Academy is due to open in September 2019 and will have capacity for up to 420 pupils and a 30 place nursery.

The expectation is that the Wellington Primary Academies will become beacons of excellence and optimism for the Tidworth community, significant progress has been made to this end already.