

Collège Champittet

Pully, Switzerland



A Dominican-founded lakeside campus above Lake Geneva, where boarders choose between IB, French Bac and Swiss Maturite tracks.

RANKING DIMENSIONS

Overall	62/100
Academic outcomes	61/100
University placement	59/100
Prestige & heritage	65/100
Alumni network	64/100
Facilities	68/100
Transparency	49/100

EDITOR'S VERDICT

Collège Champittet trades on a combination that few Lake Geneva schools can match: a boarding offer in Pully, above the lake, with teaching in English and French and more than one academic route at the end. This is not a single-lane international school. Parents are choosing between IB and British pathways in the context supplied here, while the school's own line leans hard on Swiss tradition and bilingual communication. That mix gives Champittet a distinct place in the market: **polished**, expensive, internationally minded and still tied to local Swiss expectations of structure and seriousness. The fee level confirms the bracket. Average annual day fees run at ****31,000 CHF**** and average annual boarding fees at ****112,000 CHF****. This is **decisively premium** territory.

What puts it on a shortlist is breadth with intimacy. It is an 11–18 boarding school rather than a giant through-school, and that narrower age range sharpens the focus on secondary years and university preparation. It also carries two accreditations that matter: IBO and CIS. That does not guarantee brilliant teaching, but it does tell parents that the school sits inside recognised international quality frameworks. The recent destinations published here are modest rather than grandstanding — EPFL, CREA École de Cinéma de Genève and École hôtelière de Genève, each with one student listed — and that honesty is useful. Champittet does not publish a glossy roll-call of global elite admissions in the facts given here. Parents who want hard aggregate leavers’ outcomes beyond those named destinations will find the picture **more opaque than ideal**.

The right student for Champittet is academically serious, comfortable in a bilingual environment, and open to a school that pairs international mobility with a traditional boarding frame. It will suit boarders who want a Swiss base without giving up the option of an IB education, and day pupils whose families value Lake Geneva access, pastoral structure and a campus life that extends beyond lessons. It will not suit families chasing a bargain, nor those who want a vast sixth-form menu or fully disclosed destination data. For the right child, though, the draw is clear: a **rare** mix of Swiss setting, bilingual daily life, boarding, and multiple senior pathways in a school founded in 1903 and now part of Nord Anglia’s network. That is a **strong** proposition, even if some of the outcome detail still needs sharper public disclosure.

STRENGTHS

- Bilingual teaching in English and French
- Offers both IB and British curricula
- Full boarding available at Pully campus
- Low 10:1 student-teacher ratio

TRADE-OFFS

- Very high boarding fee: 120000 CHF
- Very high day fee: 55000 CHF
- Secondary boarding only at Pully campus

ADMISSIONS

Admissions are centred on the Pully campus for secondary and boarding, with the school serving ages 11–18 in this listing, though the wider school also operates earlier years and a Nyon campus for younger children. For families considering entry, the obvious boarding intake points are the start of lower secondary and the two senior pathways the school declares: British and IB. The school teaches in English and French, so applicants should expect admissions to consider language profile as well as general academic fit. Beyond that, the school does not publish, in the material provided here, a specific assessment format or any unusual selection stage.

The practical limits are clearer than the process. Collège Champittet is a full boarding school in Pully, with a reported 950-student capacity across the school and a relatively modest 10:1 student-teacher ratio. No application deadlines are given in the sources supplied, and no bursary or financial-aid scheme is mentioned. Parents should therefore assume rolling enquiries rather than fixed published deadlines only if confirmed directly by the school, not inferred.

NOTABLE ALUMNI (5)

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LETTERS: Marcel Brion

SCIENCE: Marcel Brion, Ali Nesin

WTS RATING 

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