

ACG takes management contract over Sunderland College

The Board of Academic Colleges Group (ACG) recently announced that it had agreed to take a management contract over Sunderland College, West Auckland's only private school, offering both primary and secondary education.

Located in pleasant grounds and with 220 students currently, the School is well placed to grow, according to ACG CEO Ian King.

Ian sees great opportunities ahead. "Like all ACG Schools," says Ian, "the Sunderland students are achieving very well via the University of Cambridge International Examinations. With the added resources of ACG now available, many more young people will be able to benefit from a world-class education in a central West Auckland location."

ACG's newly appointed Chief Operating Officer, Stuart Bremner, attributes the increasing interest in the ACG brand of education to ACG's central philosophy. "We share with many parents a desire for their children to not only achieve academic excellence but also to develop as respectful individuals with inquisitive minds, a lifelong love of learning and an enthusiasm to contribute to society. A wide range of sports and cultural activities are offered at Sunderland and this fits perfectly with ACG's educational values. Our goal is to identify, understand and promote each student's potential, whether that may be of a sporting, artistic or academic nature. We strive to produce students who are self-motivated and socially aware, with the will to excel in whatever they choose to do throughout their lives."

Kent Favel, Principal of Sunderland School, says: "The Sunderland community is delighted to be joining ACG. It is an exciting time to be at Sunderland as the benefits of being an ACG school are enormous for our students and staff. We are all looking forward to a very positive future."

Sunderland College Principal Nathan Villars agrees: "Sunderland is a traditional school focussing on academic achievement balanced with a holistic approach to education. Sunderland is excited to be associated with the ACG brand, which is already well recognised in West Auckland. With ACG taking over governance, the School is now poised to grow even stronger. Parents, staff and students all see the significant benefits of the association and experience that ACG brings to our school."

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