



TOP 3RD FOR THE TOP 3RD JOIN US

Many of the UK's leading universities and professions lack the diversity and talent that is present today across the UK. Too often, access to these opportunities is determined by school type and family background. We aim to change this.

Formed in 2018 by Matt Jones OBE, a school Executive Principal, The Elephant Group is a headteacher-led charity committed to increasing the number of academically talented non-selective state school students represented at top universities. Working collaboratively with universities and corporate partners, we ensure talented students have the support, information and experiences they need to access the UK's leading universities, and onwards into professional jobs.

56%

OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL STUDENTS ACCESS HIGH TARIFF UNIVERSITIES

23%

OF NON-SELECTIVE STATE SCHOOL STUDENTS ACCESS HIGH TARIFF UNIVERSITIES

5%

OF 'DISADVANTAGED' STUDENTS ACCESS HIGH TARIFF UNIVERSITIES



JOIN US TO HELP YOUR STUDENTS REACH THEIR POTENTIAL AT THE UK'S LEADING UNIVERSITIES

HOW DO WE ADDRESS UNFAIR ACCESS?

As a partnership, we:

- Share knowledge about competitive applications and admissions with teachers
- Remain flexible and schools-led
- Address local need via a regional hub model
- Co-deliver a sustained and enriching Year 12–13 Elephant Access programme to guide students' journeys to top universities
- Secure exclusive opportunities, such as free Summer School places and scholarships

OUR PARTNER UNIVERSITIES AND ORGANISATIONS



Our programme supports Gatsby Benchmarks 5 and 7. All our activities focus on 'meaningful encounters' with university staff, students and young professionals, in-person as much as feasible.

BENCHMARK 5 – ENCOUNTERS WITH EMPLOYERS

- Visiting employer speakers and online workshops
- Practical interview and applications advice
- Conversations with young professionals

BENCHMARK 7 – ENCOUNTERS WITH HIGHER EDUCATION

- Visiting university staff and students, and online workshops
- Independent advice on university choice and applications
- Fully-funded trips and summer schools to university campuses
- Super-curricular university-style academic projects
- Regular newsletter including opportunities to engage with university outreach

Our programme also supports Ofsted's higher grade descriptors for personal development, offering a coherent and rich set of experiences for students to explore their interests and talents.



The Summer School was very insightful and gave me a different perspective of university life and how to get the most out of university.

YEAR 12 STUDENT



THE ELEPHANT ACCESS JOURNEY

WELCOME!

ON YOUR WAY!

EXAMS

NEARLY THERE!

UNIVERSITY

AUTUMN Y12

SPRING Y12

SUMMER Y12

AUTUMN Y13

SPRING Y13

SUMMER Y13

Congratulations!
Students selected for Elephant Access and invited to launch event

Hear from inspirational speakers and alumni

Parents and carers engagement

Subject attainment support

Y12 Conference — decision-making and application skills

Teacher training: Reference writing and applications CPD

Subject and university choice guidance

Personal statement preparation

University visits & academic experience

Summer School

Work experience

Preparation for interview and admissions

Student finance guidance

Exam revision support



Grades attainment and exam support



EXAMS

Results Day support

Enrolment support

YOU DID IT!



OUR IMPACT*

WE WORK WITH
NON-SELECTIVE STATE
SCHOOLS IN

4 REGIONS
OF THE UK



**Stats from 2021 admissions*

OUR STUDENTS' OUTCOMES

90%
APPLIED TO
A 'TOP THIRD'
UNIVERSITY

83%
RECEIVED AN
OFFER FROM
A 'TOP THIRD'
UNIVERSITY



54%
ENROLLED

UCAS CONFIRMS THE ELEPHANT GROUP HAS A 'VERY SIGNIFICANTLY HIGH' IMPACT ON STUDENTS' APPLICATIONS TO 'HIGH TARIFF' UNIVERSITIES AND A 'SIGNIFICANTLY HIGH IMPACT' ON STUDENTS' ENROLMENTS



During a recent comprehensive pilot Ofsted inspection, our membership of The Elephant Group and the framework that it offers students formed an excellent piece of evidence that was discussed at length with HMI. The programme offered by TEG was also cited in student interviews as having been of enormous benefit to the future aspirations of our Year 12 and Year 13 students. We are certain that the inspection of the Sixth Form would not have gone as well without the opportunities and support that TEG has offered our students and staff during the previous two years.

TOM GARNHAM, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AND HEAD OF SIXTH FORM, OUTWOOD EASINGWOLD



SCHOOLS' FEEDBACK



We are very glad to be working with The Elephant Group. In our first year the programme has significantly supported and developed our aspirational leadership for our young people. The provision and support for our students is really excellent and many of our students have benefitted from the activities and materials available.

BELINDA CHAPPEL, HEADTEACHER, CATERHAM HIGH SCHOOL



90%



OF OUR FREE SCHOOL MEALS APPLICANTS WENT ON TO ENROL AT A 'TOP THIRD' UNIVERSITY

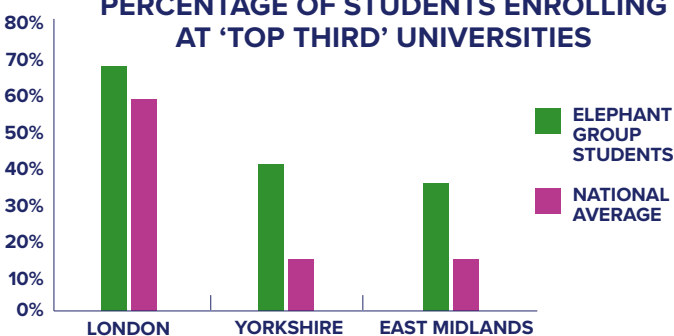


Being a part of Elephant Access has opened my eyes to what I thought was impossible to achieve and it has pushed me to make it possible.

YEAR 12 STUDENT



PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS ENROLLING AT 'TOP THIRD' UNIVERSITIES



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We look forward to working with you to broaden representation at the UK's leading universities and professions through the power of education and partnerships.