

What parents and guardians **need to know.**

Hack 876 is a one-day competition for secondary-school students. Working in small teams, students build a solution to a real problem and present it to judges who work in technology and business. No coding experience is needed. It is supervised and it is not overnight. Hack 876 is organized independently of Campion College.

WHEN
Saturday, February 20, 2027
TENTATIVE
WHERE
Spanish Court Hotel, Kingston
HOURS
8:00 AM to 7:30 PM. One day, not overnight.
WHO
Students in 5th Form through Upper 6th Form

Supervision and safety

Students are supervised by Hack 876 staff and volunteers for the whole day, at the Spanish Court Hotel.

Still to be confirmed: The number of supervising adults and the written safeguarding procedures. Both will be sent to families before the event.

Food

Yes. Food is provided on the day, and the schedule includes a lunch break. Accepted students will be asked about allergies and dietary needs in advance.

Still to be confirmed: The menu.

Costs

It costs nothing to apply. The organizers' aim is that no student has to buy software or tools to build a project, and food is provided on the day.

Still to be confirmed: Whether there is any participation fee. If there is one, it will be published on hack876.com/schools/campion before any student is asked to accept a place.

Contact on the day

Every family will be given an on-site contact and the emergency procedure before the event. Before the day, the organizers can be reached at info@hack876.com.

Still to be confirmed: The on-site contact details.

Consent

Every participant needs a consent form signed by a parent or guardian. The form is sent to accepted students, so there is nothing to sign at the application stage.

Still to be confirmed: The exact wording of the form and how it is returned.

Getting there and back

No transport has been arranged, so families should plan to bring students to the Spanish Court Hotel for 8:00 AM and collect them at 7:30 PM.

Still to be confirmed: Drop-off and pick-up procedures, and whether any transport will be arranged.

Laptops and devices

Every student needs to bring their own laptop or other device to build on, plus a charger. Hack 876 is not providing laptops or other hardware.

AI tools and age limits

Not every AI tool is open to students under 18. Many AI tools are made by companies that set a minimum age for users, and some are for adults only. Students under 18 will not be asked or allowed to use an adults-only tool at Hack 876.

Still to be confirmed: Which tools are approved, and the age limit for each.

How to take part. Students apply themselves at hack876.com/apply. It costs nothing to apply, and applying does not guarantee a place. Anything marked "Still to be confirmed" will be sent to families before a student is asked to accept a place.