

PRESS RELEASE

Independents by Sodexo continues growth in Belfast

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Independents by Sodexo has been awarded two contracts in Belfast – a brand new catering contract with Victoria College and a cleaning contract addition to existing services at Rathmore Grammar School – continuing its business growth in the region.

The new, previously self-operated, contract at Victoria College will see Independents by Sodexo provide catering and hospitality services to the 870 pupils at its Cranmore Park and Richmond campuses. The contract, launched in August 2019, is transforming the existing food offer by introducing a wide range of dishes with a focus on fresh, nutritious and seasonal food.

Independents by Sodexo has also extended its partnership with Rathmore Grammar School by securing the cleaning contract as of July 2019. The new cleaning services contract includes daily housekeeping, evening cleaning and out of term services to the 1,200+ pupils on-site, bringing innovation and efficiency to the previous cleaning offer. The company has been the school's catering partner since August 2016.

Jeremy Alderton, managing director for Independents by Sodexo, said: *“Following a competitive process, we are delighted to have been awarded these contracts, it is a testament to our team’s hard work and consistent delivery of quality services.”*

“We are excited to start our journey with Victoria College, and look forward to continuing our well-established relationship with Rathmore Grammar School.”

Colin Tenner, Head of Corporate Services at Victoria College, said: *“At all stages of the tender process, we were impressed with the professionalism of the Independents by Sodexo team and their offer of healthy and nutritious food for our pupils and staff. We are really looking forward to seeing the new service in place, growing revenues, and delivering the quality of food expected by our pupils, parents and staff.”*

Donna Magee, Bursar at Rathmore Grammar School, added: *“Over the last three years, we have been extremely pleased with the catering services provided by Independents by Sodexo. The addition of the school’s cleaning to the contract supports our vision of innovation that has already been brought to the food service helping to provide the quality education our pupils deserve.”*

Independents by Sodexo will now operate across three education establishments across the Northern Irish region.

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Key figures (as of August 31, 2018)

20.4 billion euro in consolidated revenues

460,000 employees

19th largest employer worldwide

72 countries

100 million consumers served daily

15.4 billion euro in market capitalization (as of July 5, 2019)