

What is the Drew Dynamic?

CULTURE OF EXPLORATION

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INDIVIDUALITY EMBRACED

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LOVE OF LEARNING

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FASCINATING INDIVIDUALS



A Place to Explore

Visit Drew School and you'll sense it: the energy of unlimited possibility. Dig a little deeper and you'll feel it: the promise of new ideas, interests, and talents yet to be discovered. Become a part of Drew and you'll experience it: a place with the support to explore who you are and who you might become.

Our culture of exploration is based on the simple fact that Drew School believes in teenagers—their ideas, their dreams, their opinions, and their potential. And we believe that high school is precisely the time for this kind of discovery; both of yourself and of your world. The high school years can and should be among the best years of your life—not a race to college and adulthood. Our college preparatory program is designed to open your mind to possibilities by emphasizing discovery throughout the journey.

Drew students experience their education in a hands-on manner in their classes, relationships, and activities. The Drew Dynamic is about providing the opportunity to evolve through diving deep into a subject, project, or interest. For one Drew student, it means exploring a passion for graphic design during our extended electives courses, designing the flyer for the Drew Writers' Festival, and shadowing a professional designer and creating a website for a senior project. For another Drew student, it means trying out a wide variety of activities and interests by taking a forensics class, visiting Cuba to study music and dance during our summer program, playing tennis for the Drew Dragons, and joining the student council. At Drew, you can explore you, whoever that is today and whoever that may be tomorrow.

This culture of exploration leads to something special—the Drew Dynamic.



One You.

No two teenagers are the same. The Drew student body is an exciting tapestry rich in diversity that highlights a vast array of talents, interests, and passions. People aren't one-size-fits-all, and a rigid approach to education—group lectures, multiple-choice assessments, and unbending academic requirements —won't work for every student. Drew challenges the traditional definition of success because we celebrate achievement one student at a time.

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There is no school like Drew. Valuing individuality over fitting into a mold is at the heart of our curriculum that embraces a variety of educational backgrounds and learning styles. The Drew college preparatory curriculum is as rich in content as it is diverse in its implementation. Our experiential and discussion-based classes provide varied opportunities for students to connect with the material, and assessments at Drew go well beyond filling in an answer sheet. A biology student may exhibit her knowledge of bio-diversity while conducting experiments on our living roof and wall; a marine science presentation might take place while sailing on a research vessel in the San Francisco Bay; and historic events might be explained through reenactments and simulations. Every student at Drew benefits from our deep understanding of how the teenage brain develops during adolescence.





High School is a Time of Discovery.

Drew's culture of exploration and embracing individuality nurtures a true and lasting love of learning. Hands-on and discussion-based courses place value on seeking understanding over simply knowing. At Drew, you'll learn to think creatively about course work, real world problems, relationships, and activities. You'll be given the opportunity to explore new interests, talents, and passions.

Love of learning is nurtured through an appropriately rigorous college preparatory education, scaled up throughout the four years of high school. A freshman English class will offer extra support and guidance in outlining, drafting, and composing their work. Sophomores will be ready to create science reports under an expectation of greater personal accountability.

A junior in a Mandarin 3 class will have the confidence and ability to work independently on translations, and a senior taking AP Calculus will be prepared to take on the college-level expectations of the course.

Throughout your time at Drew you'll be supported: both when you try and struggle and when you try and succeed. By experimenting in your studies and activities, you'll see that the true value of a Drew education isn't just in what you know or the skills you've mastered, but in how you learn and how you've grown. That's the Drew Dynamic.





Drew students develop into fascinating individuals who are sought after by colleges and who know themselves well when they step out into the world.

Strong relationships with peers and faculty provide both the freedom and the structure for exploration. Drew students are known well by all their teachers and by their four-year faculty advisor. As students explore, faculty members ensure that no student gets lost on the journey.

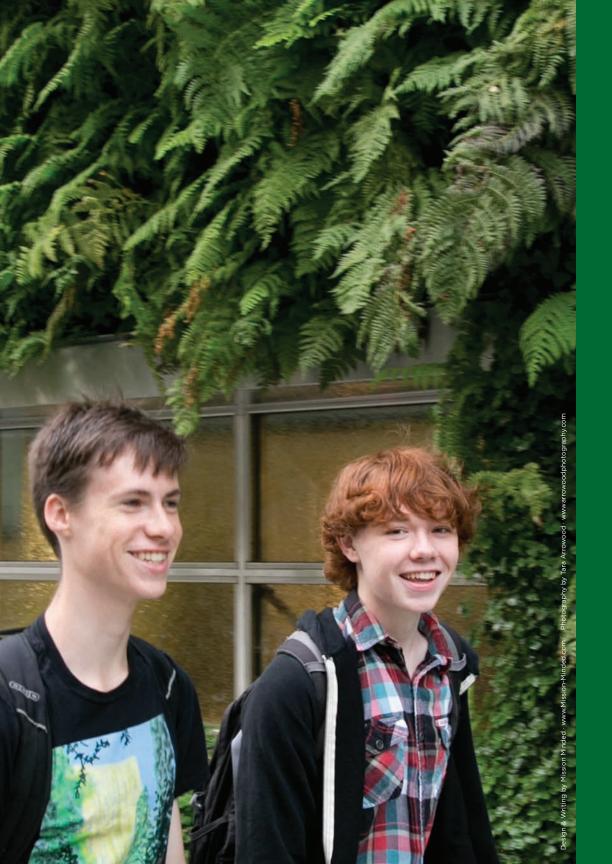
Because they are encouraged to explore their interests and passions, Drew students emerge as self-assured young adults as they define and pursue success on their own terms. Colleges seek Drew graduates because of their academic readiness and extraordinary self-knowledge. At Drew, college counseling is addressed appropriately during all four years of high school, rather than a frenzied, pressured race to the finish line. Drew graduates go on to colleges that match who they are, whether it be to smaller independent colleges, large state universities, leading arts institutes, or Ivy League colleges.

One of our greatest pleasures is learning about the successes and adventures of our graduates. With self- knowledge comes the confidence to do great things. Drew alumni can be found volunteering in the Peace Corps, starting their own companies, competing in the Olympics, sharing their talents on music festival stages and fashion runways, working at the most innovative tech companies, starring on TV and in movies, and teaching at Drew and other schools. Their lives and futures are varied and bright. What they all have in common is a high school experience that supported their interests, encouraged their talents, invited them to explore, and treated them with respect.

Drew graduates are making the world

more interesting and better for us all.





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