

International Student Application



Dear Prospective Student and Family,

Thank you very much for your interest in Dartmoor School. Dartmoor's open enrollment policy allows students the opportunity to commence their studies at any time during the calendar year (on a space available basis).

Dartmoor is particularly well suited to serve students seeking a personalized education as all of its one-to-one programs are tailored to the unique learning profile of the individual student. Dartmoor welcomes applications from students wanting: to improve their English skills; to gain admission to another independent school; to remediate credits or retake classes; to study at an American university after graduation; to access individualized scheduling (one semester, summer, study and travel, etc.). Suitable academic proficiency and engagement, cultural curiosity, adaptability, and the desire to study in a personalized educational setting comprise the holistic criteria for admission.

Admitted students will receive a written offer to study at Dartmoor. This offer will include any applicable provisions required for admission. For example, a provisional admission might request further documentation from the family or require a student to enroll in an ESL program at Dartmoor for the duration of study.

Dartmoor does not operate a standalone ESL program for non-matriculated students. Students who do not gain admission will be provided with specific recommendations on how to improve their application and will be encouraged to reapply upon completion of these recommendations.

Included in this admissions packet, you will find information on Dartmoor School, the application, and an overview to help you track your application progress. Should you have any questions about the admissions process or Dartmoor School, please contact me directly.

Sincerely,

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AN OVERVIEW OF DARTMOOR SCHOOL

About Dartmoor

Founded in 1990, Dartmoor School is an independent day school with four campuses in the greater Seattle area. Dartmoor offers personalized one-to-one educational programs for international students in grades 6-12. Because programs are one-to-one, students may commence their studies at any point during the calendar year (on a space available basis). Dartmoor admits a variety of students including those with unique abilities and learning profiles. For more information, please consult: www.dartmoorschool.org.

Dartmoor's Mission

Dartmoor School provides an optimal personalized education for its students via active one-to-one instruction individualized to their instructional levels, learning styles, and the pace of their academic and intellectual progress. Instruction is offered in a welcoming, safe, respectful, and nurturing environment.

Dartmoor Students and Their Families

Dartmoor seeks families who are committed to their children's education and educational community. Dartmoor welcomes students who demonstrate:

- Academic engagement
- Cultural curiosity
- Adaptability
- Interest in a personalized educational setting
- Interest in living and studying in the USA

Why Dartmoor?

Dartmoor's personalized, one-to-one programs allow students to:

- Enhance academic proficiencies and English fluency
- Earn credits for a term abroad or graduate from Dartmoor
- Retrieve credits or replace courses (graduating students only)
- Enroll at any point throughout the year
- Prepare for tests (SAT, ACT, ISEE)
- Work toward admission at another US private school, a university, or other program

Accreditation

Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC), a division of AdvancED

Approvals

Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)

Affiliations

National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) Washington Federation of Independent Schools (WFIS)

Dartmoor School does not discriminate on the basis of age, color, creed, race, religious affiliation, disability, marital status, national or ethnic origin, gender, sexual orientation, or any other consideration made unlawful by applicable federal, state, or local laws. This policy applies to all matters regarding students as well as to all personnel/employee matters. Dartmoor School is an Equal Opportunity employer.



APPLICATION OVERVIEW

Application Overview

Phase 1

- 1. Complete "International Student Application"
- 2. Request three references (English, Math, and Personal Character)
- 3. Order official transcripts from all attended secondary schools/credit-bearing institutions
- 4. Forward assessment results (TOEFL or Junior TOEFL) (optional)

Phase 2

Submit items 1-4 to Dartmoor along with a copy of the student's passport and the \$500 application fee. To facilitate the process, please submit items 1 and 2 via email (admissions@dartmoorschool.org) or fax (+1 425.885.1137). Students receiving an offer of admission will need to provide hard copies of all documentation before commencing studies. Please note: Items 3 and 4 must either come to Dartmoor directly from the appropriate parties/organizations or, if sent by the family, the documents must be in sealed, official correspondence from the referees, school, and/or testing center.

Phase 3

- 1. Upon receipt of all materials, Dartmoor will notify the family if the application meets admissions criteria. If the application is complete, Dartmoor will schedule a Skype interview with the student. Please ensure the student has access to a Skype account http://www.skype.com/en/. The interview will take approximately one half-hour.
- 2. Dartmoor will contact the family after the interview to notify them of the final decision. Upon accepting the offer of admission, the family will discuss with Dartmoor the program details, including tentative start and end dates. Please note: the student may enter the US up to 30 days prior to the start date and must exit within 60 days of the end date.

Phase 4

- 1. Upon approval, Dartmoor will enroll the student in SEVIS and send the I-20 documentation. Dartmoor also will email the family a softcopy with supporting documents (school profile, letter of support, accreditations and approvals).
- 2. The student will need to make an appointment at a US embassy or consulate. For average wait times by locale, please consult http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/wait/wait 4638.html. The family should provide Dartmoor with the date of the interview so the school can fax supporting documentation directly to the embassy or consulate. *The student should have the hardcopy of the I-20 and copies of the supporting documents in hand at the visa interview.* (If the student is denied the visa, then a second interview may be arranged, unless the consulate or embassy indicates otherwise. Assuming the student can pursue a second interview, Dartmoor will update and reissue the I-20.)
- 3. Upon receipt of the visa, the family will be responsible for tuition and fees for the full enrollment period. The family should also provide travel details at this time.

The family will need to arrange housing for the student as the school does not have dormitory facilities. Dartmoor can provide limited logistical support for students seeking housing.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT APPLICATION

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1. Applicant Info	ormation		
1. Applicant init	or mation		
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First	Middle	Last	
Sex: Male	Female	Date of Birth:	
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3. Parent/Guardian Information

Parent/Guardian A

Name:		
Relationship to studer	nt:	
Address (if different from s	tudent's "Home Addre	ss"):Street Address
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City	Country	Postal Code
Email:		
Mobile Phone:		Work Phone:
Occupation:		Employer:
Parent/Guardian B		
Name:		
Relationship to studer	nt:	
Address (if different from s	tudent's "Home Addre	ss"):
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City	Country	Postal Code
Email:		
Mobile Phone:		Work Phone:
Occupation:		Employer:
4. Current School Inf	formation	
Grade Level:		
Session Start Date:		Session End Date:
Current School:	Month/Day/Year	Month/Day/Year
City, Country:		
Phone: Country Code + Pho	ne Number	Dates Enrolled:



Other institutions attended for high school credit (attach additional sheet if needed): Institution Dates Enrolled (DD/MM/YY - DD/MM/YY) Institution Dates Enrolled (DD/MM/YY - DD/MM/YY) Dates Enrolled (DD/MM/YY - DD/MM/YY) 5. References A. English Reference:____ Name Position Institution **B.** Math Reference:____ Position Institution C. Personal Reference:_ Position Institution 6. Financial Information Tuition Total for Year:_____ Living Expenses for Year:____ Available Funds:___ (Must be greater than tuition and living expenses total) 7. Signature I affirm the information presented on this form and any attachments is factually correct and complete. Parent/Guardian Signature: Date: (MM/DD/YY) Parent/Guardian Name (please print):_____



WRITING SAMPLE QUESTIONS

Instructions: Please respond to the following essay questions. Your answers should be at least three to five sentences in length but should not exceed half a page (single-spaced, 12 point Times New Roman or similar font). You may answer directly on this sheet or attach your response to this packet.

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1.	What has motivated you to study in the US and particularly at Dartmoor School?
2.	Do you have any specific academic or career aspirations?
2.	
3.	How do you plan to set yourself up for academic and social success given such a significant transition?



ENGLISH REFERENCE

1. Student Information (to be completed by the student's parent or guardian)

Name:					
Name:	Middle		Last		
Date of Birth:		(MM/DD/YY)			
Email:		Tel.:			
Parent or Guardian Sign	nature:			Date:	(MM/DD/YY)
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Referee Signature:			Date:	(MM/D	D/YY)



MATH REFERENCE

1. Student Information (to be completed by the student's parent or guardian)

Name:				
First M	iddle	Last		
Date of Birth:	(MM/DD/YY)			
Email:	Tel.:			
Parent or Guardian Signatu	re:		Date:	(MM/DD/YY)
2. To be completed by the	referee			
Name:	Po	sition:		
Name:	Last			
Institution:				
Address:				
Telephone:	Email:			
How long have you known	the applicant?	In wha	t context?	
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4. Signatures				
I confirm the information the best of my knowledge. the event any of the inform	Dartmoor School rese	erves the righ	nt to deny a	dmission to the applicant i
Referee Signature:		Date:	(MM/DI)/YY)



PERSONAL REFERENCE

1. Student Information (to be completed by the student's parent or guardian)

Name:			
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Parent or Guardian Signature:_		Date:	(MM/DD/YY)
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Please address the applicant's of the United States with particular applicant's current English pro- application for admission to Date	ar reference to the studer oficiency level. Include a	nt's personal ch	naracter. Please indicate the
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I confirm the information given the best of my knowledge. Dart the event any of the information	moor School reserves the	e right to deny a	admission to the applicant in
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CONTACT INFORMATION

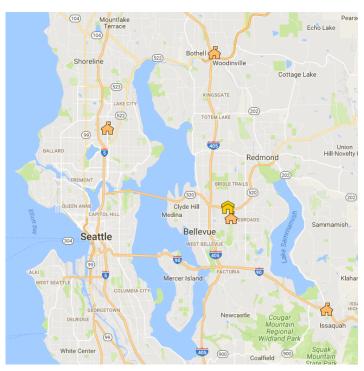
Send completed applications to:

Dartmoor School Admissions Director P: +1 425.885.6296

E: admissions@dartmoorschool.org

Fax: +1 425.885.1137

Dartmoor School Administrative Office 2800 Northup Way, Suite 110 Bellevue, WA 98004



Dartmoor has four educational sites:

Bellevue Campus 2800 Northup Way #120 Bellevue, WA 98004

To learn more about Bellevue please visit: http://www.ci.bellevue.wa.us/profile-intro.htm

Issaguah Campus 22500 SE 64th Pl. #130 Issaguah, WA 98027

To learn more about Issaquah please visit: http://www.ci.issaquah.wa.us/index.aspx?ID=31

Seattle Campus 9622 Roosevelt Way NE Seattle, WA 98115

To learn more about Seattle please visit: http://www.seattle.gov/visiting/

Bothell Campus 11812 Northcreek Pkwy N #102 Bothell, WA 98011

To learn more about Bothell please visit: http://www.explorebothell.com/

For maps with directions to each campus please visit: http://dartmoorschool.org/campus-locations



International Student Tuition & Fees Schedule

September 2018 - August 2019

<u>Fees</u>

Application (one-time)	\$ 500
Registration (one-time)	2,000

Application fee is due when submitting a completed application. Registration fee covers English placement test, ESL materials, ongoing program costs and international paperwork processing. The registration fee is due along with tuition at the beginning of a student's inital term.

Credit Coursework

1.0 Credit (one course)	\$ 6,950
3.0 Credits (one term)	20,850
6.0 Credits (full grade level)	41,700

1.0 credit corresponds to a traditional course (e.g., an academic year of English) and may be completed in approximately 4 months. Additional instructional hours might be required due to student and program variances. Dartmoor has two terms per grade level. A term usually takes four months to complete. Please refer to the subsequent sample enrollment and calendar.

Supplemental Coursework (Per Month)

4 Hours per Week	\$ 1,483
8 Hours per Week	2,966
16 Hours per Week	5,932

Supplemental coursework is for students seeking academic support in a specific area (e.g., Mathematics or Chemistry) or, more generally, for students needing additional instruction to foster their overall educational progress (e.g., ESL, study skills, etc.).

Payment Terms

Dartmoor accepts cash, check, wire transfer, Discover, VISA, or MasterCard. All amounts are in USD. Dartmoor requires the non-refundable \$500 application fee before processing the I-20 paperwork. All tuition and fees must be paid before classes begin. This Fee schedule is effective September 29, 2018 through August 31, 2019. All fees are subject to change without notice.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why do families opt for one-to-one education?

Dartmoor's 1:1 model appeals to families interested in offering an education tailored specifically to their children's needs, capacities, and aspirations. Students enjoy the challenge of a one-to-one education as it allows them to develop skills and master content more efficiently and comprehensively, while pursuing in greater depth areas of intellectual interest.

What are some basic facts about Dartmoor?

Dartmoor School was founded in 1990 and has around 25 - 40 staff and 70 - 140 students on its four campuses. These numbers fluctuate between summer and the traditional school year.

What is the Admissions cycle for Dartmoor?

Dartmoor has **open enrollment** and accepts students **throughout the year**. This is an excellent option for students wishing to enter outside of the traditional US admissions period. At most US schools, admissions decisions occur in the late winter or early spring for the subsequent fall.

Does Dartmoor accept students who require ESL support?

Yes, however, a student's application materials must demonstrate the student's ability to succeed in academic coursework with ESL support. Depending on the need, a student might be required to enroll in an ESL support course for the duration of study. Dartmoor does not operate a standalone ESL program for non-matriculated students.

How does the I-20 process work?

Once Dartmoor has accepted a student, the school and family must determine a feasible start date. Next, the school starts the I-20 application process by creating a student entry in the SEVIS database and generating the initial documentation. Dartmoor sends this documentation to the family and they must apply for an F-1 visa and arrange an interview with their local US embassy or consulate. Wait times vary from city to city. For specific wait times, please consult the following site: http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/wait/wait_4638.html.

How does scheduling work at Dartmoor?

Dartmoor School is open year-round Monday to Thursday from 8:30 AM to 8:30 PM. Students attend for a minimum of three hours and a maximum of six hours per day.

How does Dartmoor's credit system work?

1.0 credit corresponds to a traditional course (e.g., an academic year of Geometry) and may be completed in around three months. Dartmoor has two terms per grade level (e.g., 9th grade). A term usually takes three months to complete. Students take a minimum of three credits per term. Students take 6.0 credits per grade level for a total of 24 credits at graduation.

What is the difference between classroom models and Dartmoor's personalized approach?

Dartmoor's one-to-one instruction is significantly more efficient than a classroom dynamic. There are no assemblies or other routine interruptions and no classroom management issues. Moreover, the student receives personalized instruction geared toward mastery and the student's specific learning modality (level, pace, style). Imagine the difference between learning to ski with a group of 30 students and receiving personalized instruction from a ski instructor. In a group setting, the instructor must respond to 30 different learning modalities, and therefore instruction is calibrated to a generic norm (i.e., "beginner", "intermediate", "advanced") and much time is spent answering individual questions. A good instructor will differentiate instruction and address individual needs

as much as possible, but the group basis clearly limits both efforts. For example, a few students might master the beginner hill in a day, but they must wait until their peers master the same hill to progress to the intermediate hill. In a one-to-one program, the instructor focuses on the student entirely and addresses instruction to this individual's specific learning modality. The student occupies the instructor's attention completely and the student can pose questions directly to the instructor, without the social anxiety accompanying classroom dynamics. Because the instructor observes the student closely, there is a greater opportunity for relevant, attentive teaching and learning, and the student remains engaged in learning for the entire session. Therefore, if the student masters the beginner hill the first day, the student can progress immediately to the intermediate hill and so forth. Likewise, if the student struggles with a skill, then the instructor can help the student master this fundamental before moving forward.

What sort of classes does Dartmoor offer?

Dartmoor offers a full catalog of academic subjects. Moreover, Dartmoor offers the opportunity for advanced or specialized study based on student interests. For example, Dartmoor created Calculus II and Shakespeare Studies courses for past students. Dartmoor does not participate in AP but has honors and advanced honors courses.

Does Dartmoor offer advanced programs for students?

Dartmoor offers honors classes for students demonstrating exceptional academic ability. Enrollment in honors coursework is at the discretion of the Head of School.

Does Dartmoor offer world languages?

Dartmoor offers French, Spanish, German, Japanese, and American Sign Language (ASL). Dartmoor will offer additional languages upon request and the availability of a qualified instructor.

Can students skip grades?

Students cannot skip grades; however, Dartmoor's one-to-one programming allows students to complete their coursework on an accelerated schedule.

Does Dartmoor have any opportunities for student interaction?

Dartmoor's emphasis is on one-to-one academics. However, students are encouraged to interact between classes and many of Dartmoor's students enroll at another school for electives and social activities (dual enrollment). International students attending Dartmoor have the opportunity to enroll in non-academic coursework and participate in activities at a local public school (on a space available basis). School districts have various requirements and tuition costs for such programs. Please contact the district directly for more information. Please keep in mind Dartmoor has open enrollment and so a student arriving to study in November might not be able to participate at the local public school until the beginning of the next term in January.

Can students attend Dartmoor and transfer to another institution?

Dartmoor works with students interested in transferring to another private school or program. While Dartmoor will work closely with the target program and support the student's application, Dartmoor cannot guarantee entrance into any specific school or program.

Can Dartmoor guarantee a student will attend a prestigious American university?

No school can guarantee placement at a specific university for a given student and it is important to remember only 0.4% of US college students attend Ivy League universities. A student who excels at Dartmoor, has strong test scores, and a generally solid application will have the opportunity to decide between a number of excellent American universities.

Where do students study after leaving Dartmoor?

Dartmoor alumni have continued their studies at a number of outstanding universities including Harvard University, Cornell University, Georgetown University, Boston College, New York University, University of British Columbia, and the University of Washington. (Please see Dartmoor's School Profile for a more comprehensive list.)

Does Dartmoor provide or arrange for housing?

Dartmoor does not have a boarding facility. Dartmoor can refer families to local housing agencies, however, that facilitate placement.

Does Dartmoor provide transportation?

No. All of the campuses are easily accessible by car or public transportation.

Does Dartmoor offer a meal plan?

No. Students may bring their own food to campus, however.

Do students need to have health insurance while studying in the US?

It is advisable for students to carry US health insurance for the term of their stay. Dartmoor does not provide insurance.

What if Dartmoor does not admit a student?

Students who do not gain admission will be provided with specific recommendations on how to improve their application and will be encouraged to reapply upon completion of these recommendations.

DARTMOOR SCHOOL: A SAMPLE ENROLLMENT FOR 2018-2019

This is a sample enrollment to help families conceptualize an academic program at Dartmoor School. Please note: a student may start at any point throughout the calendar year and may choose to arrange the schedule differently so long as the student maintains the minimum of three concurrent classes (i.e., three credits). The courses listed below are only examples.

Application fee: \$500 (one-time fee)

Dartmoor issues I-20 and student obtains F-1 visa

August 13, 2018 *student arrives*

(Students may arrive up to 30 days prior to starting their studies)

First Term

September 12 First Term begins **November 22 - 23** Thanksgiving break

December 24 - January 2 Winter break

January 19 First Term ends

Courses:

English 1.0 credit
Math 1.0 credit
Elective 1.0 credit

Tuition: \$20,250 + \$2,000 registration fee

Second Term

February 6 Second Term begins **June 8** Second Term ends

Courses:

Science 1.0 credit History 1.0 credit Elective 1.0 credit

Tuition: \$20,250

Total Tuition: \$42,500 for First and Second Term

June 29, 2018 Student enrolls for next academic year, transfers institutions, or exits the US (Students have 60 days to change their status or exit the US after completing their studies).