



DENVER CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL

Inspired Equipped Engaged

Developing Teens Who Are Future-Ready

***A Parent Info Packet for
Denver Christian School***

**Grades
9-12**

What do you want your teen's high school experience to look like?

A four-year plan that prepares them for college? An opportunity to shine in a competitive athletic program? Maybe you want something more than the traditional path ... you want them in a place where they can prepare for their life goals after high school, but also have fun in the process.

Your teen will need many things throughout their high school years: the right amount of academic challenge, strong support from their peers and mentors, and a safe community to grow into all their talents and gifts as scholars, athletes, and future graduates with world-changing potential. That is no exaggeration — your teen will change communities and corners of the world, and we want to help them on their way.

Denver Christian School is a transformative environment for teens to grow in character and college-readiness together. Families don't need to choose between an outstanding college-prep program or a school with a deep roster of athletic



teams, fine arts offerings, and other exciting extracurriculars because we are pleased to offer all of these things. We understand how your teen's environment shapes them into the confident young man or woman they will become by graduation day.

Read our parent guide to begin exploring all that we have to offer your teen, and then sign up for a campus tour. This is an opportunity for your entire family to step into our learning community at Denver Christian School! Send all of your questions about admission to us at [**\(303\) 763-7919**](tel:3037637919) or [**cjohnson@denverchristian.org**](mailto:cjohnson@denverchristian.org). We look forward to meeting you and your family soon!

Sincerely,

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Helping Teens Forge Their Own Path

Think about ...

... all the ways your teen learns best

... their personal interests, gifts, and academic abilities

... how they can create plans as they pursue their dreams for the future

At Denver Christian School, we never stop thinking about these things. That's reflected in our structure for supporting student success and shaping confident graduates who go on to have truly fulfilling lives and careers.

ACADEMIC PREPAREDNESS

- A challenging, thoughtfully-designed college prep curriculum that focuses on the whole student
- Experiential learning through Discovery Week, where teens can dive deeper into special interests
- Exciting co-curriculars such as Fine Arts, Athletics, and student clubs
- 14 honors classes, 3 AP classes, 7 dual enrollment classes, and a seminar option helping students prepare for college

LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

- Student council provides an opportunity for teens to sharpen their leadership skills as they advocate for others
- The National Honor Society empowers students to excel in academics
- Chick-fil-A® Leadership Development Program partners with operators training high schoolers to be effective servant leaders
- The Boss Club is a comprehensive youth entrepreneurship program combining curriculum with business experience

BIBLICAL VALUES & CHARACTER

- Nurturing teachers who model Christ-centered values and encourage teens in their spiritual walk
- Homeroom devotions, weekly chapel, and Crew small group gatherings provide opportunities for our students to grow in their faith and find an encouraging community
- Biblical values woven into our curriculum challenge teens to live a life of integrity and compassion for others

HEALTH & WELLNESS

- With 14 varsity sports teams and year-round athletic performance training, our students develop their talents while staying physically active
- A positive learning culture where students embrace health and wellness from a biblical perspective
- A full-time high school counselor to care for our students' mental and socioemotional well-being
- Wellness and performance coordinators that plan and supervise before school, at school, and after school workouts for students and student-athletes interested in health and fitness



Our Learning Model

Our high school program at Denver Christian School is biblically distinctive, rigorous, and enriching. Your teen will learn to think critically, be self-directed and confident, and ready to explore their unique areas of interest — whether it's in academics, arts, athletics, or community service. Teachers emphasize faith formation, mentoring students to glorify God in their conduct and speech as they prepare for the challenges in high school and beyond.

Challenging Academics

Teens can explore a wide range of subjects including English, math, science, religion & worldview, and more. To encapsulate the college preparatory experience, seniors prepare for their culminating project that displays their academic, personal, and spiritual growth during the four years of high school.

Diverse Electives

Fine arts, Spanish, French, technology, college & career readiness, physical education, and more set a foundation for our students' immersive and well-rounded learning.

Modified Block Schedule

Our distinct schedule gives students the time and space for deeper learning and prevents mental exhaustion. Your teen will have a traditional schedule on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday and fewer subjects with longer blocks on Wednesday and Thursday.

Discover Their Best Self

They might be only beginning to develop, but your child has passions and talents. They have a character unlike anyone else. Their friendships will be utterly unique. Everything we've built at Denver Christian encourages meaningful connections with their peers and mentors. We'll help them flourish and find success.



Fine & Performing Arts

High schoolers enjoy expressing themselves through our performing arts program, with seasonal dramatic plays and musicals where they can take roles. Have a performer? They'll have fun in our Jazz Band, Pep Band, choir, drumline, and other clubs. Creative teens will feel excited with our varied arts and technology classes, including photography, sculpture, digital media, computer science, and more. In addition, the newly completed Performing Arts Center (PAC) will support our expanding visual and performing arts programs.

Athletics

Bringing home 28 state championships, the DC Thunder, our award-winning athletics program, empowers high schoolers to explore and refine their passions in sports. Whether your teen is into football, soccer, golf, basketball, cheer, cross country, baseball, volleyball, or track, they'll have room to develop their athletic skills in a healthy environment.

Clubs

Our clubs provide a safe space for your teen to socialize, enjoy their interests, and develop meaningful friendships. Co-led by a staff member, students can join groups such as Colorado Club, Art Club, Crew (small group community), Robotics, Chess, Martial Arts, and more.



A Roadmap to College



It's no surprise that 97% of our graduates go to college, and a total of \$ 2.4 million worth of Merit Awards were given to the recent graduating class. We spend four years making sure they are ready to shatter expectations, thrive socially and academically, and help lead others in excellence. Here is a high-level view of how we do that at Denver Christian School.

9th GRADE

Preparation begins even in the first year of high school — our students are equipped by building a four-year plan, choosing courses that align with their interests, as well as understanding all about GPAs and high school transcripts.

10th GRADE

As our sophomores have the foundation of planning for college, we help them explore careers and prepare them for crucial life skills such as identifying strengths and areas for improvement, developing productive habits and building support networks.

11th GRADE

Our juniors further immerse themselves in practical skills that are useful as they navigate college preparation. Learning how to attend college fairs, test prep strategies, writing application essays, and understanding the financial aspects (scholarships, FAFSA, cost of attendance) of higher education are all part of our college-prep program for 11th grade.

12th GRADE

Seniors understand the steps and requirements for college and prepare to submit compelling essays. They'll also learn how to assess a college and see if it's a right fit or explore other options such as military careers, vocational school, and other opportunities. Ultimately, our 12th graders are equipped with vital skills in college success, resume writing, and career readiness.



An Investment in Their Future

Underneath many of the questions and priorities of the parents we talk to is one basic assumption: for good or bad, high school is going to have a huge impact on their child's character, trajectory in life, and future success. So it's worth stopping to seriously ask: what's the best high school experience you can imagine for your child?

As you will learn during our admissions process, families find great value in the Denver Christian School experience and all the distinctive ways we provide opportunities for our students. We are committed to making a quality, college-prep education accessible to families and understand that each family has unique financial circumstances.

We offer tuition assistance, scholarships, family discounts, referral incentives and other affordability options that are tailored to meet the needs of qualifying families. To learn more about what tuition will look like for your family, [visit our website](#) or [contact our admissions team](#).



Tuition 2022-2023

Tuition (Grades 9-12)	14,960
Educational Fee	600



"DC has had an incredible impact on our son and family. The school leadership's desire to encourage each student to thrive vs. just surviving is easy to see when teachers, staff, and students participate in a community to care for each other. We can confidently send our son to school every day, knowing he will be encouraged to grow academically, socially, and spiritually."

-Shelly Morris, DC Parent



Where will your teen find success?

When you and your teen experience the school culture at DC firsthand, it makes all the difference in understanding everything that is available to them here. Our campus tours will give you the best sense of what we have to offer and provide you with the opportunity to connect with someone who can answer your specific questions.

What to Expect On Your Personal Tour

Explore our beautiful campus by scheduling a personalized, one-on-one tour with our admissions team. On your tour, you will have the chance to see:

- Thoughtfully designed high school classrooms with facilities that enhance the learning experience
- The STEM classroom provides an area for students to engage in deeper study and hands-on projects
- Our state-of-the-art gyms and athletic fields where teens train and develop teamwork in sports
- The dining hall, coffee shop, and break out spaces where our high schoolers can unwind, have a snack and socialize with friends
- Our Academic Commons, Music Room, Band Room, Performing Arts Center, and more

QUESTIONS?

Please contact our admissions team at [\(303\) 763-7919](tel:3037637919) or cjohnson@denverchristian.org

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