



The DENVER WALDORF School

About Waldorf Education & The Denver Waldorf School

Waldorf schools are the fastest growing independent school network in the world. In the urban bi-coastal areas of the US, where the pressures of modern life are often experienced more intensely, existing Waldorf schools are experiencing tremendous growth and new Waldorf schools are welcoming families into the world of Waldorf.

Based on a dedication to social renewal, Waldorf schools exert a healing force in the world, instilling inclusivity and personal responsibility to care for ourselves, others and the natural world.

A Waldorf education is rich with meaningful experiences, integrates artistic beauty in all subject matters and is demanding intellectually. Our students graduate prepared for college and the world beyond.

College professors note that Waldorf graduates are flexible learners; are willing to take intellectual risks and explore alternative view-points; and are leaders with a sense of social responsibility.

Alumni describe how their Waldorf education enabled them to choose their own path in life. They report greater job satisfaction in their careers and are prepared as they face the common struggles to live as balanced human beings in this fast-paced world.

Central to this success is each Waldorf teacher's dedication to cultivating a sense of wonder in every student, to shape their view of the world as a magnificent place, prompting each student to embrace life with enthusiasm, initiative and purpose.

Through the integration of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM), our students experience learning not only through their intellect, but also through their hearts and bodies. This method cultivates contemplation, self-expression and social wakefulness. Subject matter becomes meaningful and retention skyrockets.

Our nursery and kindergarten classrooms are soft and nurturing, supporting a gradual transition from home to school life. We honor childhood as a valid experience, a time not to be rushed; a precious window to gently develop a child's creativity, wonder for the natural world and self-reliance.

Our elementary and middle school students receive unwavering guidance as our teachers take their classes from 1st through 8th grade. Children, feeling secure in this long-term relationship, are primed to thrive academically and socially.

Our high school is intimate and individualized. Teachers form close bonds with their students; subject areas are studied deeply and the curriculum is easily modified to better meet student needs. Adolescent ideals are nurtured and their longing to find and bring meaning in the world is enthusiastically supported.

After school sports of cross country, basketball, ultimate Frisbee and girls volleyball emphasize physical awareness and fitness; character development through teamwork and meeting victory and defeat with equanimity.

Location Central Denver

Total Enrollment

Kindergarten: 80
Grades 1-8: 200
High School: 68

Tuition Assistance

21% of total revenue
30% of students

Waldorf Graduates

94% attend college
88% graduate from college
68% attend graduate school

Graduates enroll in a diverse range of higher educational institutions, including selective elite universities.

DWS Faculty

Deeply committed to educating the whole child and extensively trained in childhood development and the arts.

62% have advanced degrees

19 average years of classroom experience

Curriculum

Imaginative, Intellectual, Humanistic and Grounded in the Natural World

DWS Highlights

- Text books are created by the students
- Field-trips are plentiful and core to the curriculum
- Block learning cultivates in-depth learning
- International student body and HS exchange program
- Families move from far corners of the US to join DWS. We are a family, not just a school.

"The need for imagination, a sense of truth, and a feeling of responsibility— these are the three forces which are the very nerve of an education."

—Rudolf Steiner
Founder
of
Waldorf Education