



Dads,
daughters,
&
Duchesne





Duchesne dads
occasionally arrive at
our school with doubts,
and we welcome
each earnest inquiry.

“What’s the advantage of starting my daughter at age three?”

“Does an all-girls’ environment really prepare my daughter for the real world?”

“How is a Sacred Heart school different from other schools?”

“Where are your graduates going to college?”

“Is this school big enough to provide my daughter every opportunity for success?”



We answer questions candidly, and we also show dads Duchesne in action, because there's no better way to understand the ethos, culture, and experience of a school than through your own senses.

When their doubts melt away and they're left with the vision of their daughters learning and growing among our close-knit sisterhood, Duchesne dads often become our school's biggest advocates.

Glance at Duchesne through the eyes of our dads...

The confidence I saw at Duchesne
was what really hooked me.

All the girls I met just exuded such poise,
and I wanted that for my daughters.

-Middle School dad



In our intimately scaled classrooms, her teachers and her classmates get to know your daughter's heart and mind, and she grows in knowledge, confidence, and ability as she laughs and plays, sings and prays with her friends.





We did a lot of research into the curricula,
and felt our daughter was going
to build a foundation here
that would last the rest of her life.

-Lower School dad



Your daughter begins Pre-K at Duchesne as early as age three. We connect her early education to our 200-year-old Sacred Heart tradition, which combines faith and intellect, social awareness and community building.

Even at that young age, we ask our girls to step into the role of leader, taking responsible action and healthy risks.

*What it means
to be part of a Sacred Heart school*

Our curriculum, our culture, and our worldview connect with and promote the *Goals and Criteria* of the Sacred Heart Network, which includes 24 schools across North America.

Within our enveloping Sacred Heart community, your daughter's formation means...

- ✦ seeking a personal and active faith in God
- ✦ embarking on challenging intellectual journeys
- ✦ putting social awareness into forthright action
- ✦ constructing a close-knit and dynamic campus culture
- ✦ exercising the privilege of wise freedom



The Goals of the Sacred Heart provide a map and a footprint for our daughter's entire life.

That's why we're here. Other schools have intellectual programs and sports, but they don't have **heart**.

-Lower School dad





Duchesne is just as academically rigorous as other independent schools, but because of the five Goals, our school offers a unique opportunity for girls unlike anywhere else in Houston. They develop holistically, not narrowly.

-Lower School dad



Why independence matters

As an independent school, Duchesne designs, hones, and delivers our own curriculum and programming in the way that gets the best from our girls.

We hire expert teachers from a national pool, and expect them to exercise their own wise freedom in designing challenging courses.

While we expect our girls to work hard and meet high expectations—ours and their own—our campus simultaneously buzzes with the joy inherent in authentic learning and the camaraderie of a welcoming sisterhood that spans their lives at school, and their lives beyond it.

As a college-prep school, we send our graduates to top universities across the country and the world—and match them to colleges where they'll continue to contribute to their campus and local community, develop their strengths, and thrive academically and socially.

Academically speaking, I was beyond prepared for college.
—Duchesne alumna

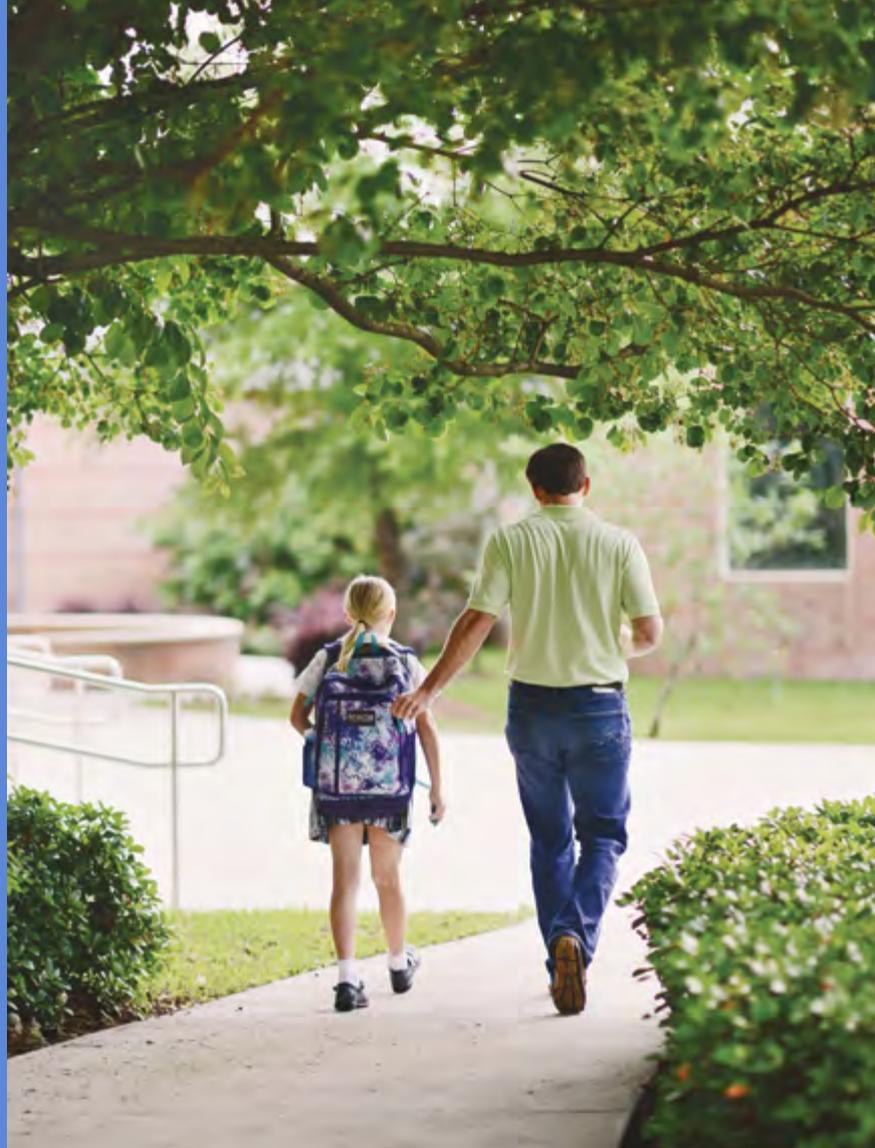
I was wary of all-girls' at first. That's not the real world.
But then I came here and saw the leadership qualities the girls
possessed and the confidence and poise. I was sold.

-Upper School dad



By the end of her Duchesne experience,
your daughter is ready to excel in college and step
out into the broader world as a uniquely formed and
confident young woman who will live her family,
professional, and community life with intellectual
purpose and compassionate resolve.

If you'd like to see the uncommon result of a Duchesne
education, see [duchesne.org](https://www.duchesne.org) and schedule a visit.



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