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THE SCHOOL

The Hockaday School is an independent, college-preparatory day and boarding school for girls from prekindergarten through twelfth grades. The School, founded in 1913, is accredited by the Independent Schools Association of the Southwest. Hockaday is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools, the National Coalition of Girls' Schools, Online School for Girls, The College Board, the National and Texas Associations for College Admission Counseling, and the Cum Laude Society.

STUDENT BODY

Enrollment

Upper School: Grades 9 – 12	492	Boarding Students (Grades 8 – 12)	73
Middle School: Grades 5 – 8	325	Students of Color (self identified)	34%
Lower School: Grades Pre-K – 4	276	Students Receiving Financial Aid	15%

Total Enrollment

1093



The Residence Department includes students from 12 states, one U.S. territory, and 11 foreign countries: Bulgaria, Canada, China, Germany, Jamaica, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Taiwan, and Vietnam.

ADMISSION

Selection of students is based on previous academic performance and on entrance tests. Requirements of admission include an application, transcript, teacher recommendations, personal interviews, parent and student questionnaires as well as parent interviews for the lower school applicants and boarding students.

Applicants for 2017-2018	730
New Students for 2017-2018	153

FACULTY

Full-time Teachers	117
Part-time Teachers	8
Teachers with Master's Degrees	76
Teachers with Doctoral/J.D. Degree	14



THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY OF THE UPPER SCHOOL

All courses at The Hockaday School are taught at the highest possible level of rigor. **Many courses that do not carry an honors or AP designation are considered among our most demanding.** It is not recommended that students pursue more than three advanced courses per year; additional advanced courses per year may be allowed by special petition. Most advanced courses become available to students in the junior year.

The required course load is four full-credit academic courses per year, and the maximum course load is five full-credit academic courses.

ACADEMIC SCHEDULE

The academic calendar is divided into semesters. Classes are 80 minutes and meet three times in a six-day rotation, 36 weeks per school year.

RANKING AND GPA

It is school policy not to rank Hockaday students. GPA is cumulative, unweighted, calculated on a four-point scale, and includes all Hockaday classes. Honors and Advanced Placement courses are not weighted.

GRADING SCALE

A = 90 – 100 B = 80 – 89 C = 70 – 79
D = 60 – 69 F = Below 60

COURSES TO NOTE

Honors Biology Semester Courses: Hockaday students have three options to study biology: Biology as a year-long course, AP Biology, or topical honors semester courses which are designated to incorporate a common set of biology fundamentals, a model usually seen at the college level. The variety of courses allow the girls to study biology in a format that best fits their interests and curiosities.

Honors Business French: This course requires a mastery of French strong enough to succeed in the professional world of business, economics, and finance. The course culminates in the administration of the Certificat de Francais Professionnel and prepares students for study and work abroad.

English Senior Seminars: Senior English classes are offered as semester-long courses focusing on a variety of themes. Because Hockaday students are independent learners, many will elect seminar courses that allow them to explore their individual interests over AP English.

Integrated Math: Integrated Math spirals concepts from Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II over a three-year period. All students will graduate with a firm foundation in these three subjects, having completed the equivalent of a year of study in each. In addition, concepts from statistics/probability, logical reasoning, and discrete mathematics are spiraled throughout the program.

History of Art and Music: This required interdisciplinary course seeks to enrich a student's historical understanding by providing instruction in the aesthetic and cultural parallels to the chronological periods that she has already studied in World History.

AP Studio Art: Due to the great rigor and time requirements of this course, Hockaday counts AP Studio Art as one of the five possible academic solids a student may take in one year. Students electing AP Studio Art must eliminate a class in another academic subject area from their schedules.

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION OPTIONS

There are additional education options available to Hockaday students, including directed independent study projects, Hockaday Summer Session classes, CITYterm at The Master's School, High Mountain Institute in Colorado, The Island School, and Swiss Semester in Zermatt.

ONE SCHOOLHOUSE

Previously known as The Online School for Girls (OSG), One Schoolhouse is the first accredited online independent school is a consortium of 83 independent girls' and co-ed schools. The courses are taught at the highest level of rigor by faculty members at Hockaday and other consortium schools. Hockaday considers these courses to be an equivalent educational experience to a course taken in a traditional classroom setting.



2017–2018 COURSES

English

English I
 English II
 English III
 AP English Literature
 Senior English Seminars

Mathematics

Integrated Math II/III, III, IIIB, or
 III Enriched
 Functions and Trigonometry
 Precalculus or
 Precalculus Enriched
 Statistics
 AP Statistics
 Calculus
 AP Calculus AB
 AP Calculus BC
 Multivariable Calculus &
 Differential Equations (Honors)

World Languages

Mandarin Chinese I, II, III
 AP Mandarin Chinese
 Chinese Language and Culture (Honors)
 French I, II, III
 AP French Language and Culture
 Business French (Honors)
 Latin I, II, III
 Latin Literature (Honors)
 AP Latin (Caesar & Vergil)
 Spanish I, II, III, IV
 AP Spanish Language and Culture
 Latin American Perspectives (Honors)
 Spanish Literature and Culture (Honors)

History

World History
 AP World History
 U.S. Government
 AP Comparative Government
 U.S. History
 AP U.S. History
 AP Modern European History
 AP Economics
 African American History
 American Civil War
 American Dreams and Nightmares:
 A Cultural History of Postwar
 American Film
 Philosophy21: Thinking for the
 21st Century
 Spycraft: Espionage & Diplomatic Policy



Science

Physics
 AP Physics C
 Chemistry
 AP Chemistry
 Biology
 Honors Biology Seminars
 AP Biology
 AP Human Geography
 Honors Science Seminars

Computer Science

AP Computer Science

Fine Arts

History of Art & Music
 Orchestra
 Studio Art I, II, Advanced Studio Art
 AP Studio Art
 Ceramics & Sculpture: Clay, Advanced
 Ceramics & Sculpture
 Hockaday Theater Company:
 Technical Theater
 Hockaday Theater Company: Drama
 Hockaday Theater Company: Adv. Drama
 Concert Choir, Show Choir,
 Madrigal Ensemble
 Beginning Photography,
 Advanced Photography

Introduction to Debate, Advanced Debate
 (Lincoln-Douglas and Public Forum)
 Dance Extension, Workshop II and I, Lab, and
 Theater
 Beginning Filmmaking
 Advanced Filmmaking

Mass Communication

Introduction to Journalism
 Newspaper/Fourcast
 Yearbook/Cornerstones
 Literary Magazine/Vibrato

Physical Education

Health II: Understanding and Managing
 Fitness
 Self Defense

COLLEGE ADMISSION | *Class of 2017*

100% of Hockaday graduates attend four-year colleges or universities.

The 120 members of the Class of 2017 were admitted to 168 different institutions, listed below.

American University	Louisiana State University	The University of Texas at San Antonio
Amherst College	Loyola University Chicago	Trinity University
Auburn University	Marymount Manhattan College	Tufts University
Austin College	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Tulane University
Babson College	McGill University	University of Arkansas
Baker University	Midwestern State University	University of California, Berkeley
Bard College	New College of Florida	University of California, Davis
Barnard College	New York University	University of California, Los Angeles
Bates College	Northeastern University	University of California, San Diego
Baylor University	Northwestern University	University of Chicago
Belmont University	Occidental College	University of Colorado at Boulder
Benedictine College	Ohio Northern University	University of Colorado at Denver
Boston College	Pace University, New York City	University of Dallas
Boston University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Denver
Brandeis University	Pepperdine University	University of Denver
Brown University	Pomona College	University of Hawaii at Manoa
Bryn Mawr College	Pratt Institute	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Bucknell University	Princeton University	University of Maryland, College Park
Carnegie Mellon University	Purdue University	University of Miami
Case Western Reserve University	Quinnipiac University	University of Michigan
Chapman University	Reed College	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Clark University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Mississippi
Clemson University	Rhode Island School of Design	University of Missouri Columbia
Colby College	Rhodes College	University of North Texas
Colgate University	Rice University	University of North Texas at Dallas
College of Charleston	Saint Louis University	University of Notre Dame
College of Saint Benedict	Saint Mary's College	University of Pennsylvania
College of William and Mary	Samford University	University of Pittsburgh
Colorado College	Santa Clara University	University of Puget Sound
Columbia University	Sarah Lawrence College	University of Richmond
Connecticut College	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Rochester
Cornell University	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of San Diego
Creighton University	Scripps College	University of San Francisco
Dartmouth College	Skidmore College	University of South Carolina
Davidson College	Southern Methodist University	University of Southern California
DePaul University	Southwestern University	University of St Andrews
Duke University	St. Edward's University	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Eckerd College	St. Olaf College	University of Toronto
Elon University	Stanford University	University of Tulsa
Emerson College	Suffolk University	University of Vermont
Emory University	Syracuse University	University of Virginia
Fordham University	Tarleton State University	University of Washington
Franklin & Marshall College	Texas A&M University	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Georgetown University	Texas A&M University, Commerce	Vanderbilt University
Georgia Institute of Technology	Texas Christian University	Villanova University
Grinnell College	Texas State University	Wagner College
Hamilton College - NY	Texas Tech University	Wake Forest University
Harvard University	The George Washington University	Washington and Lee University
Harvey Mudd College	The New School - All Divisions	Washington University in St. Louis
Hendrix College	The University of Alabama	Wellesley College
Hofstra University	The University of Georgia	Wesleyan University
Howard University	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Yale University
Indiana University at Bloomington	The University of Oklahoma	
Ithaca College	The University of Tampa	
James Madison University	The University of Texas at Rio Grande Valley	
Johns Hopkins University	The University of Texas at Austin	
Lawrence University	The University of Texas at Dallas	
Lehigh University		
Lewis & Clark College		

CLASS OF 2017 SCHOLARSHIP RECOGNITION PROGRAMS

National Merit Scholars

Finalists	15
Semifinalists	15
Commendees	25

National Hispanic Recognition Program

Scholars	6
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STANDARDIZED TESTING

ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTING MAY 2016

Tests Administered	597
Students Tested	243
Percent Who Scored 3, 4, or 5	92%

SAT TESTING – CLASS OF 2017

SAT Prior to March 2016

Range of Middle 50%	
Critical Reading	660 – 780
Mathematics	650 – 770
Writing	660 – 750

Redesigned SAT

Range of Middle 50%	
Evidence Based	
Reading and Writing	680 – 740
Mathematics	670 – 770

SAT SUBJECT TESTS*

CLASS OF 2017

Range of Middle 50%	
Biology	570 – 650
Chemistry	620 – 770
English Literature	620 – 700
Mathematics Level 2	620 – 770
Spanish	650 – 720
U.S. History	630 – 730

*for subjects with 10 or more students testing

ACT

CLASS OF 2017

Range of Middle 50%	
English	32 – 35
Math	28 – 33
Reading	31 – 35
Science Reasoning	28 – 33
Composite	30 – 33