



February 5, 2015

Dear San Domenico Families,

As educators and parents, we know that one of the most important decisions we make for our children is their education and we thank you for choosing San Domenico, California's first independent school. You and your family are part of our 165-year history, working together to provide students with exceptional education and a sense of purpose. It is a very exciting time to be here and a privilege to share this journey with you.

Along with the strength of our Dominican education comes the cost to provide all that it encompasses. To balance expenses with revenues, the Board of Directors annually address tuitions. In January 2015, after an in-depth study of our program needs and costs, as well as tuition levels of our peer schools, the Board approved a tuition slate for our next academic year. We are writing to you now to share these tuition and grade-level fees for the 2015-16 school year (see below).

At independent schools like San Domenico, tuition alone does not cover the full cost of educating students. This year's tuition increase is a commitment to ensuring that San Domenico maintains our exceptional programs, high standards for faculty and staff, and a secure, extraordinary, 515-acre campus. While the San Domenico Fund and additional fundraising remains necessary to bridge the gap, we must also ensure that our tuition is sufficient to continue to provide a leading edge educational experience for our students.

Tuition at SD includes an extensive transportation system and robust meal program (including our daily soup tradition) prepared with ingredients from local, organic, farms that makes us a Bay Area leader in environmental stewardship and sustainability. Most importantly, we continue to invest in our already strong curriculum in social-emotional learning, math, science, religious studies, literacy and the arts. This includes our "Responsive Classroom" in the Lower School, all-school "Innovation/Makers" programs, and upcoming film electives in the Upper School.

A San Domenico education provides a unique and privileged opportunity for your child. On behalf of our faculty, administration, Dominican Sisters, and Board of Directors, we thank you again for your important participation in our school community. Please feel free to get in touch with one of us should you have any questions.

All the best,

Cecily Stock, M.A., J.D.
Head of School

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SAN DOMENICO SCHOOL

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2015-16 Tuition & Fees

Grade Level	Tuition	Activity Fee	Off Campus Education	Technology Fee	Total
Pre-kindergarten	\$13,925				\$13,925
Kindergarten	\$26,650				\$26,650
Grade 1	\$27,200			\$150	\$27,350
Grade 2	\$27,200			\$250	\$27,450
Grade 3	\$27,200			\$425	\$27,625
Grade 4	\$28,050		\$500	\$425	\$28,975
Grade 5	\$28,050		\$520	\$425	\$28,995
Grade 6	\$29,675	\$340	\$240	\$450	\$30,705
Grade 7	\$29,675	\$340	\$240	\$450	\$30,705
Grade 8	\$29,675	\$340	\$1,550	\$450	\$32,015
Grade 9	\$38,275	\$340	\$340	\$450	\$39,405
Grade 10	\$38,275	\$340	\$975	\$450	\$40,040
Grade 11	\$38,275	\$340		\$450	\$39,065
Grade 12	\$38,275	\$340		\$450	\$39,065

Grade Level	Tuition	Activity Fee	Off campus Education	Technology Fee	Weekend Activity Fee	Total
Grade 9 - Resident	\$54,200	\$340	\$340	\$450	\$500	\$55,830
Grade 10 - Resident	\$54,200	\$340	\$975	\$450	\$500	\$56,465
Grade 11 - Resident	\$54,200	\$340		\$450	\$500	\$55,490
Grade 12 - Resident	\$54,200	\$340		\$450	\$500	\$55,490

Notes:

- Textbooks are included for PK-8; extra for 9-12 (estimated at \$700/yr).
- The 8th grade Off Campus Education DC trip is paid by parents directly to the vendor.
- Tuition insurance (optional for prepayments; required for payment plans).
- Health coverage is required for resident students. This fee is charged for non-US coverage.
- Transportation and lunch included.
- Tuition deposit is 10% of the net tuition.

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