

# Dallas International School



## → Finishing Strong!

The end of the school year is almost here! Our DIS students have been busy finishing up their school projects and are now looking forward to summer! Be sure to check out the summer camp catalog! Summer is a great time to learn a new skill like cooking or crafts, or try something new like dancing or pottery. DIS summer camps are located at both DIS campuses and are open to the community - so bring a friend!

## Congratulations to the Class of 2025!

It has been a busy spring for our seniors, with many exciting moments! Between senior events such as Senior Dinner and the Gratitude Dinner, end-of-year celebrations like the prom, and finishing their final projects and exams, the seniors have had a lot going on! Of course, it all leads up to the big event! The Dallas International School Class of 2025 Commencement will be held on June 7th at 5:00 PM.



## Class of 2025 Matriculation

### USA

- Austin College
- Indiana University
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- Rhodes College
- Savannah College of Art and Design
- Texas A&M University
- The University of Texas at Austin
- The University of Texas at Dallas
- University of California - San Diego
- University of Miami
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Washington



### France

EDHEC Business School

### Canada

McGill University

### England:

ESCP Europe Business School



This year's class has much to celebrate! All DIS graduates receive the accredited DIS High School Diploma, and many will also boast either the prestigious French Baccalaureate or the renowned International Baccalaureate diplomas, both meaningful degrees in the college admission process, affording them an ability to earn college credits.





→ **Did you know?**

The DIS Groove Band is an auditioned band, comprising of DIS students of all ages! You may have seen them perform at DIS community events such as Winter Market, Annual Concert, Talent Show, and more. Now in its second year, the band is auditioning for new members! If your student has experience in instrumental performance, look for audition information this fall! Practices are weekly on Tuesdays at 4:30 PM at Waterview Campus Music Room.

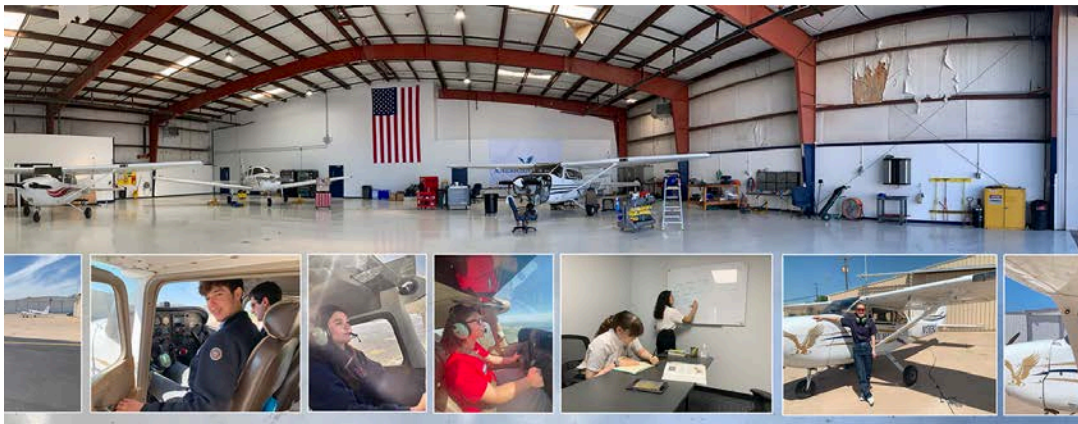
**Partnership with SMU**

This spring, DIS was thrilled to have SMU senior biology student Sahar Khan intern on our Waterview campus. Partnering with esteemed area universities such as UT Dallas and SMU are of strategic importance to DIS. Sahar had a wonderful experience working with our DIS high school students in the science and technology areas. Our students certainly benefited from her mentorship.



**Aviation Program Update**

The DIS Aviation program is growing! As we turn the corner on year 3 of the Aviation program at DIS, we are adding classes and numbers of students! The 4-year program allows 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders to select from 2 pathways—the Pilot Pathway, which builds towards the FAA Private Pilot Knowledge Test, or the Drone Pathway, which works towards the FAA Part 107 Knowledge Test. This spring, DIS student drone enthusiasts participated for in the annual ARISE Engineering Drone Design Competition, and even took home some hardware!





### Start Up Lycée Competition

In March, an SES 10th-grade team represented DIS during the Start-up Lycée Competition held in San Francisco from March 18–22. Our students performed exceptionally and captivated a jury composed of highly influential figures in the worlds of business based in the Silicon Valley.

### → Learning beyond the classroom

At Dallas International School, education extends beyond our walls—and even beyond geographical borders—as a key part of our culture. This spring, DIS students participated in competition trips, grade-level pedagogical trips, global exchanges, and more, allowing them to showcase their talents while immersing themselves in culture, history, and language.





## → Support our school with a gift!

The DIS Annual Fund is committed to supporting the operations of the school as well as contributing to renovations and enhancements at both campuses.

Please support our efforts to raise funds for more playground equipment at Churchill and for upgrades to the Waterview campus that include adding four new MYP classrooms and enhancing the music room.

## Strengthening Language Skills Through Real-World Imitation Play

Research shows that early language development thrives on interactive, meaningful experiences. Exposure to rich vocabulary in context boosts oral language skills, supporting later reading and academic success. One effective classroom strategy is structured role-play, where children practice words and phrases in real-life scenarios like a pretend pizzeria or doctor's office. These engaging interactions reinforce vocabulary naturally.



## Early Childhood teachers maximize language learning through guided play

Maternelle teachers at DIS enhance learning by modeling words, encouraging dialogue, and guiding play, which strengthens vocabulary retention and advanced language use. Reading books related to role-play themes deepens comprehension. By integrating imitation play into lessons, DIS teachers foster curiosity, cultural awareness, and strong communication skills, helping children confidently engage with the world and develop a lifelong love for learning.

