



Commonwealth School

Dive In Commonwealth Summer 2019 Application

Application Process

- Complete entire application, including demographic information and questionnaires.
- Submit three letters of recommendation. Please see website to print out recommendation forms to give to your recommenders.
 - One from a humanities teacher
 - One from a STEM teacher
 - One from someone (not a parent or guardian) who knows you well as a person and can write about your character
- Include a graded writing sample with application, no more than 500 words.
- Include most recent, up-to-date transcript with application. Please see website to print out the Transcript Release Form to give to your school principal or guidance counselor.
- Submit standardized test scores - MCAS, ISEE, ERB, or other.

Once we receive your application, we will get in touch to schedule an interview.

Timeline for Dive In Commonwealth

- Applications made available January 1, 2019.
- Applications accepted on rolling basis starting January 15, 2019.
- Interviews will begin March 25, 2019.
- Decisions will be made May 15, 2019.
- Students must respond with their decision to accept or reject offer by May 31, 2019.
- Alternates notified by June 3, 2019 and have until June 7, 2019 to make their decision.
- Orientation for accepted students on June 21, 2019.
- Program runs from July 1, 2019 through August 9, 2019.



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Name: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Place of Birth: _____ Citizenship: _____

Gender: _____ Ethnicity: _____

Language(s) Spoken at Home: _____

Primary Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Current School: _____

If you've attended other schools in the past, please list them below in reverse chronological order, starting with the most recent institution.

Other School(s): _____ Dates Attended: _____

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Parent/Guardian Information

Name: _____

Relationship to Student: _____

Profession/Occupation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Additional Parent/Guardian Information

Name: _____

Relationship to Student: _____

Profession/Occupation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Sibling Information

Sibling Name: _____ Age: _____ School: _____

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Student Questionnaire (to be completed by student)

Write a three- to six-sentence response to each of the following questions. Please type all responses on a separate piece of paper.

1. Describe your academic accomplishments. What are you most proud of?
2. What is your favorite subject in school? Why?
3. Tell us about the greatest challenge you've ever faced. How did you meet that challenge?
4. Describe an extracurricular activity (athletic, community service-based, religious, or other) that is important to you. What does this activity add to your life?
5. What do you hope to gain from an experience at Dive In Commonwealth?

We would welcome any further comments you might wish to offer concerning your interest in and candidacy for Dive In Commonwealth.

Signature of Student _____ **Date** _____



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Parent Questionnaire (to be completed by Parent(s)/Guardian(s))

Please type all responses on a separate piece of paper.

1. Describe the applicant's approach to school and academic work. Does (s)he have any academic accomplishments you wish to highlight?
2. Does the applicant have any learning style differences, health issues, or any history that might affect his or her performance in the program? If so, please explain.
3. What do you hope the applicant will gain from Dive In?

We would welcome any further comments you might wish to offer concerning your child.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ **Date** _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ **Date** _____



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Transcript Release Form

To the Student:

Please fill out this form completely and submit it to your current school.

I authorize _____
School

to release to Commonwealth School the transcript, test scores, and teacher recommendations for

Student

Signature of Parent Date

Signature of Parent Date

To the School:

Please send this student's transcript by email (bdanielkebir@commschool.org) or by mail to the address listed below.

Attn: Dive In Commonwealth
Commonwealth School
151 Commonwealth Avenue
Boston, MA 02116



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Recommendation Form: Humanities

Name of Applicant _____

Recommender

Name _____

Position _____

Relationship to Applicant _____

School/Company Name _____

To the Recommender:

Dive In Commonwealth will prepare middle school students of exceptional promise for success at Commonwealth, a rigorous independent high school in the heart of Boston. Grades and test scores alone give an incomplete picture of a prospective student, and we rely heavily on recommendations from fellow educators.

In your letter, tell us how long and in what capacity you have known this student. Please comment more specifically on the student's intellectual ability and achievement, character and personality, and academic conduct. Please mention any special interests or talents. Dive In Commonwealth asks a significant commitment of time and energy, and we would be grateful for thoughts about a student's ability to make and sustain such a commitment as well as for information about specific emotional or physical difficulties that you think would bear on the student's performance.

If you feel that, in order to give an honest appraisal of the applicant you must disclose sensitive information, we will honor a request to return your letter to you after the admissions decision has been made.

Thank you for taking the time to think and write about this applicant.



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Recommendation Form: STEM

Name of Applicant _____

Recommender

Name _____

Position _____

Relationship to Applicant _____

School/Company Name _____

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Recommendation Form: Personal

Name of Applicant _____

Recommender

Name _____

Position _____

Relationship to Applicant _____

School/Company Name _____

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