

# World News

## Personal Computer A Must At Dartmouth

Hanover, NH (CPS) - As if lugging stereos and TVs back and forth to school isn't enough trouble, Dartmouth College freshmen now have to pack up their personal computers and bring them with them, too.

Dartmouth, the first Ivy-League school to adopt this rule, will require incoming freshmen to bring their Apples and Macs to school or to purchase a system at the school's computer center.

School officials say Dartmouth wants to offer all students equal access to sophisticated computer equipment. Freshmen are sent information packages on how to purchase a computer from the school's computer center.

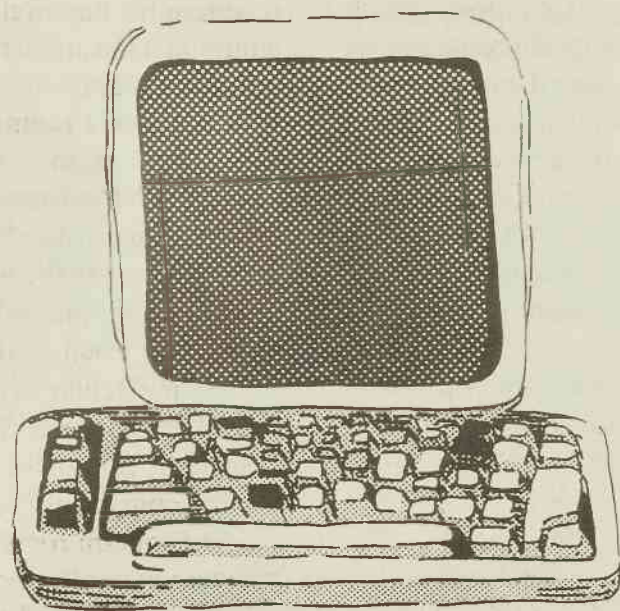
"It's really a de facto requirement," says Dean Al Quirk, dean of admissions and financial aid at Dartmouth. "It

would be hard to find a student that didn't already have one."

"About 80 percent of our students have been purchasing systems. Our rooms are hard-wired. Students can access the library or communicate with each other by networking. The micro-revolution has changed education."

Quirk also forecasts that all campuses will require computer ownership as an admission requirement in the future. According to the MTV-College Track Report, one quarter of all college students currently have personal computers. Students who require financial aid at Dartmouth will be eligible to receive further assistance to purchase a computer.

"We were one of the institutions that took advantage of



the Apple consortium, so it's really the computer of choice," Quirk says. "You know, computer instruction will never replace the hard work of learning, but in 10 years, we'll be teaching in an entirely different way."

## Students Produce Guide For Campus Environmentalists

(CPS) - If you're interested in saving the Earth, you can start by saving your campus. So says the first environmental guidebook ever written by students for students.

"The Student Environmental Action Guide" will be published in September by the Student Environmental Action Coalition (SEAC), the largest student environmental group in the country.

The 96-page book, packed with practical "how to" information, lists of resources and tips like how to give and "eco party" (bring your own cup), draws on the research of environmentalists across the country, including members of the Natural Resources Defense Council, Greenpeace and the Environmental Defense Fund.

The pocket-size guide,

printed on recycled paper, also contains stories about successful environmental efforts on the nation's campuses. For instance, students at James Madison University bought ceramic mugs to help reduce disposable waste on campus. Three-quarters of the 10,000 students purchased mugs. In another story, Mount Holyoke College students saved \$4,500 during an energy-saving competition between dormitories.

"Schools use large amounts of energy and generate large amounts of waste," says Chris Fox, one of SEAC's coordinators. "The lessons we learn from making changes on campus is the first step in making other changes in the world."

The environment, according to the American Council on Education, is the number one issue among incoming college freshman. SEAC, founded in 1988, is the largest student environmental organization in the country, with members in 1,500 campuses in 50 states.

The guide will be published by Earth Works Press in Berkeley, Calif., the publishing arm of Earth Works Group, an organization of writers involved in environmental activism. Another publication by Earth Works Press, "50 Simple Things You Can Do to Save the Earth," was among 1990's top best sellers in college bookstores.

