



OVERVIEW

Founded in 1973, Green Mountain Valley School is an independent college preparatory school for competitive Alpine and Nordic ski racers in grades 8-12 and postgraduates. Nestled in the heart of Vermont's Mad River Valley, and adjacent to Sugarbush and Mad River Glen ski areas, the school is dedicated to fostering a life-long love of learning, sport, and adventure within competitive skiers. Committed to the development of well-rounded student-athletes, GMVS's talented faculty instill in students the value of total commitment and effort as well as the importance of character and community. They teach students to take initiative, to strive for their personal bests, to embrace failure for the learning opportunities it affords, and to support one another. GMVS uses a truly integrated approach to delivering its rigorous academic and internationally competitive ski racing programs where the faculty works in concert with one another to meet the needs of individual students. The school is small by design; everyone plays an important role, and students and faculty work in partnership toward common goals.

STUDENT BODY

Admission to GMVS is based on academic promise, a passion for ski racing, and strength of character. Since its founding, 24 alumni and current students have competed in Olympic Games and over 50 have represented their home countries on the FIS Alpine Skiing or Cross-Country World Cups. Green Mountain Valley School seeks to make its program accessible for students of varied socioeconomic backgrounds. Approximately, 38% of students receive need-based financial aid.

ACCREDITATION & AFFILIATIONS

Green Mountain Valley School is a member of the Association of Independent Schools in New England (AISNE), as well as the Vermont Independent Schools Association (VISA), and is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools & Colleges, (NEASC). GMVS is also recognized by U.S. Ski & Snowboard as one of the premier programs of its kind in the country. The school works in tandem with U.S. Ski & Snowboard as one of only seven High Performance Centers in the nation and is recognized as a Gold Certified Club.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Green Mountain Valley School offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum intended to prepare students with the skills and content necessary to be successful at the collegiate level. In addition to traditional core courses, each academic department offers a variety of electives and select opportunities for advanced work. GMVS chooses not to offer Advanced Placement courses, in favor of advanced course offerings that draw on the expertise of teachers, provide significant depth of content, and are on par with the rigors of the AP program. The school year is divided into two semesters, and most students take four to five core courses plus an elective each term. Prior to 2018-2019, an optional June Term was offered to students wishing to expand their intellectual horizons or obtain additional academic support.

GMVS's Learning Services program offers integrated academic support to approximately 20% of the student body each year. A tiered Learning Services program empowers students to become strategic and resilient lifelong learners who are confident self-advocates. Each year, GMVS admits a number of international students who require ESL support. ESL instruction is offered as a complement to regular, grade-level academic courses.

ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

As passionate and committed athletes, Green Mountain Valley School students spend approximately 1/3 of their time engaged in sport-specific training. During the winter months, students generally spend 5 hours per day engaged in a combination of on- and off-snow

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GMVS AT A GLANCE

120 Students

- + Grades 8-PG
- + 6th & 7th grade winter term program
- + 30% international
- + 12 states/8 foreign countries
- + 65% boarding/35% day
- + 38% receive financial aid
- + Nearly 100% of graduates go on to 4-year colleges
- + Nearly 60% of graduates ski race at the collegiate level
- + Graduates have gone on to ski for 8 different national teams

36 Faculty

- + 16 full-time teachers (55% with advanced degrees)
- + 20 full-time coaches (55% with national team coaching or racing experience)
- + 35% of teachers and coaches have over 10 years experience at GMVS

Student to Staff Ratio: 3:1

Average Class Size: 10

training. In the fall and spring, students spend 3.5 hours every weekday engaged in physical training. In addition to ski-specific dryland training, students may also elect to play interscholastic soccer or lacrosse in the fall and spring. Students attend on-snow racing development camps in the spring, summer, and fall. The vast majority of GMVS students train 50-52 weeks a year.

THEATER

The musical theater program is an integral part of most students' experience at GMVS and enhances the sense of community among the entire GMVS family. All students are encouraged to participate in theater regardless of prior experience. Instruction is provided in dance, voice, performance, sound, and set design. Each year, approximately 30% of the student body participates in the theater program. Members of the stage crew earn 0.25 credit and performers earn 0.50 credit each year.

CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

In addition to its academic and athletic offerings, GMVS provides a robust student life curriculum, weekly meetings with faculty advisors, community service opportunities, a senior internship program, and student leadership opportunities.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A total of 20 credits are required for graduation. Most academic courses are full-credit courses and are taken for 2 semesters (though not always consecutively). Core courses carry 0.50 credit per semester. Electives (aside from Theater) carry 0.25 credit per semester and are Pass/Fail. June Term courses carry 0.50 credit. GMVS accepts transfer grades of 70 and above.

+ English	4 credits
+ Science	3 credits
+ Math	3 credits
+ History/Social Sciences	3 credits
+ Foreign Language	3 credits

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

GMVS has three levels of academic recognition, awarded each semester.

- Highest Honors = All A's
- High Honors = 2 A's and no C's
- Honors = no grade below a B

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES & MATRICULATION

Nearly 100% of GMVS graduates go on to 4-year college or university programs or their respective national ski teams. Approximately 60% of GMVS graduates continue ski racing at the post-secondary level. In the last five years, GMVS students have been accepted to:

Babson College (5)	Denison University	Michigan State University	Smith College (2)	Univ. of North Carolina, Wilmington
Bates College (8)	Dickinson College	Michigan Technological Univ.	St. Catherine University	University of New Hampshire (10+)
Beloit College	Drexel University	Middlebury College (10)	St. Lawrence University (20+)	Univ. of North Dakota
Boston College (7)	Elon University (4)	Montana State University (6)	Strathclyde University, Scotland	Univ. of Northern Michigan
Brown University	Emory University	Northeastern University (3)	SUNY, Oneonta	Univ. of Rhode Island
Bucknell University (2)	ESADE (3)	Northern Michigan University	Swarthmore College	Univ. of Richmond
Carroll College	Evergreen State College	Oregon State University	Trinity College (4)	Univ. of South Carolina
Castleton University (3)	Fairfield University	Penn State University (2)	Tulane University	University of Southern California
Champlain College	Fordham University	Plymouth State University (7)	Tufts University	University of Utah (5)
Clark University (2)	Furman University	Providence College	Univ. of Alaska-Anchorage	University of Vermont (20+)
Clarkson University (4)	Georgetown University	Purdue University	Univ. of Bath, England	Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison
Colby College (10)	Gettysburg College	Queen's University (4)	Univ. of California, Santa Barbara	Villanova University (2)
Colby-Sawyer College (3)	Hamilton College (5)	Quest University	Univ. of California, Channel Islands	Wake Forest University
Colgate University (7)	Harvard College (2)	Rocky Mountain College	Univ. of Colorado, Boulder (2)	Westminster University
College of St. Scholastica	Hobart & William Smith College (10)	Roger Williams University	University of Connecticut (6)	Western University, Ontario (2)
Colorado College (2)	Hope College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Denver (20+)	Whitman College (2)
Colorado State University (2)	James Madison University	Saint Michael's College (10+)	University of Edinburgh, Scotland	Williams College (5)
Columbia University	Louisiana State University (3)	Saint Olaf College	University of Hawaii	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Connecticut College (6)	Marquette University	Salve Regina University	University of Maine, Farmington (2)	
Dartmouth College (5)	McGill University (3)	Scripps College	University of Maryland	
Davidson University	Miami University of Ohio	Skidmore College (2)	University of Montreal (2)	

GRADING

A	94 - 100	4.00
A-	90 - 93	3.67
B+	87 - 89	3.33
B	84 - 86	3.00
B-	80 - 83	2.67
C+	77 - 79	2.33
C	74 - 76	2.00
C-	70 - 73	1.67
D+	67 - 69	1.33
D	64 - 66	1.00
D-	60 - 63	0.67
F	< 59	0.00

GPA AND CLASS RANK

All courses are evaluated with letter grades on a 4.0 scale. GPA computation is unweighted, using full and half-credit courses, as well as graded quarter-credit electives. The cumulative GPA of the senior class has averaged between 3.10 and 3.35 over the past five years. GMVS does not rank its students. The majority of GMVS graduates have higher GPA in college than they did in high school.

CLASS OF 2024 AT A GLANCE

- + # of Students: 27
- + GPA Range: 2.78-4.00

DISCIPLINE REPORTING POLICY

All students are expected to respond truthfully to any questions regarding disciplinary violations. When requested, GMVS reports the facts of major disciplinary violations that result in suspension, expulsion, or if a student is required to withdraw from the school, to any college to which he/she has applied (or matriculated).