



WATERVILLE VALLEY

ACADEMY

Founded in 1972

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Overview: Waterville Valley Academy is a snowsports academy designed for full-time student athletes in grades 9-12 and Post-Graduates who are dedicated to pursuing the highest level of performance in alpine racing, freestyle skiing, freeskiing and snowboarding in parallel with an individualized academic program delivered by WVA faculty. This full-term high school has grown out of our traditional ski academy's Winter Term program that has been offered since the Academy was formed in 1972. WVA is operated by Waterville Valley Black and Blue Trail Smashers / Snowsports Educational Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit registered in the state of New Hampshire. Our website is www.gowva.org.

Mission: We develop and educate snowsports athletes by cultivating passion through world-class training and innovative learning environments, allowing each student to maximize his or her potential athletically, academically and in life.

Philosophy/Core Values: Our philosophy is to provide a rigorous academic and athletic environment where students can thrive in pursuit of their goals to be their best in their snow sport. This is done through the implementation of our core values: Integrity, Teamwork, Learning and Excellence.

Academic Program: College Preparatory

Grades are based on a 100 point scale:

Grades less than 70 do not receive credit.

Additional weight is given to Advanced Placement and Honors courses.

Curriculum

English:

English 9-12
English 9-12 Honors
English 10 Pre-AP
AP Literature & Composition
AP Language & Composition

Math:

Finite Math
Algebra I & II
Algebra I & II Honors
Geometry
Geometry Honors
Pre-Calculus
Pre-Calculus Honors
Calculus Honors
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics
Computer Science

Science:

Physical Science
Physical Science Honors
Biology
Biology Honors
AP Biology
Chemistry
Chemistry Honors
AP Chemistry
Physics
Physics Honors
AP Physics
Marine Biology Environmental Science
AP Environmental Science
Geology
Meteorology
Anatomy & Physiology Honors

Social Studies:

World Studies and Geography
World Studies and Geography Honors
American Government/Civics
American Government/Civics Honors
U.S. History Reconstruction to the Present
U.S. History Reconstruction to the Present Honors
Economics
Economics Honors
AP Economics

World Languages:

French 1-4
French 1-4 Honors
Conversational French
Spanish 1-5
Spanish 1-5 Honors
Conversational Spanish
AP Spanish-Language & Culture
Latin 1-4 Honors

Health and Wellness:

Healthy Living for Athletes I & II

Studio Art:

Art I: Art Media
Art II: Cross Cultural



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Accreditation

NEASC (New England Association of Schools and Colleges)
Full Accreditation

Memberships

ISANNE (Independent Schools Assoc. of Northern New England)

Associations

USSA Gold Certified Club

Program Statistics

Faculty: 13

Students: 25

Average Weighted GPA:
4.29

Academic Strengths

Low faculty/student ratio
AP course selection

Athletic Programs

Alpine Racing
Freestyle/Freeski
Snowboard
Tennis

Graduation Requirements: In order to graduate, students must earn a minimum of twenty-four credits. Students are strongly encouraged to take additional courses in their particular fields of interest.

Course of Study	Credits Earned
English	4
Social Studies	3
Math	3
Science	3
World Languages	2
Health	1
Art	1
Electives	3
Physical Education (1 credit per year WVA attendance)	4
Minimum Credits for Graduation	24

Recent College Admissions for WVA Students

Babson College	MIT	University of Colorado
Bates College	McGill University	University of Connecticut
Boston College	Middlebury College	University of Denver
Boston University	College Montana State	University of Maine
Bowdoin College	University New York	University of Massachusetts
Brown University	University Northeastern	University of New Hampshire
Champlain College	University Pennsylvania State	University of Utah
Clarkson College	University Plymouth State	University of Vermont
Colgate University	University Roger Williams	Westminster College
Colby College	University Saint Anselm	Williams College
Colorado College	College	
Dartmouth College	Saint Michael's College	
Evergreen State College	Sierra Nevada College	
Fairfield University	St. Lawrence University	
Fort Lewis College	Syracuse University	
Harvard University	Union College	

WVA Alumni Athletic Accomplishments

Alpine - U.S. Ski Team members and camp attendees, World Championship competitors, Junior World Champion, Can-Ams, Nor-Am competitors, National Junior champions, Junior Olympic competitors and champions.

Freestyle / Freeski - U.S. Freestyle Skiing and Freeski Team members, Olympic Team members, Olympic Gold Medalist, two-time World Junior Mogul Champion, World Cup Champion and World Cup competitors.

Snowboard - U.S. Snowboard Team members, Olympic Team members, World Championship competitors, Junior World Champion, Junior World Competitors, Junior Gold Team members, Junior Olympic Champions and competitors, U.S. Open competitors, Vans Triple Crown finalists, and National Champions in several age groups.

The Town: Waterville Valley, incorporated in 1829, is a small town surrounded by six, four thousand foot peaks in the middle of the White Mountain Forest. The full time population of 260 residents expands to 6,000 during the busy seasons of winter and summer. In 1965, Tom Corcoran founded the Waterville Company, Inc. to create a premier year-round resort including the alpine ski area, a 9-hole golf course, 18 clay tennis courts, trail systems for Nordic skiing, mountain biking and hiking, Corcoran's pond and water activities.