

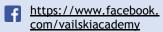
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A Rural School Former Home of the Ute Indians, Miners, and the WWII 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division

ACT/CEEB School Code: 061011







#### Academic Calendar

2 semester grading periods; 6 academic courses in each semester

Spring and Fall: Classes 8:30AM-3:40PM

#### November - mid April:

- Monday: Full day of classroom studies
- Tues-Fri: AM Training, classes 1:15PM-4:55PM

Slightly lighter load during the most demanding athletic winter months

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# Vail Ski & Snowboard Academy (VSSA) 2022-2023 School Profile

The first and only fully accredited and certified public academy for ski, snowboard, and other world-class sports.

## Mission

VSSA provides a rigorous college preparatory academic program while supporting the athletic and personal goals of our students. In partnership with Ski & Snowboard Club Vail, other elite clubs, and Eagle County Schools, VSSA facilitates the attainment of our students' dreams by offering challenging academics, flexible scheduling, individualized attention, and access to world-class training.

260 students, grades 5-12

22 teachers & academic coaches

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25 Class 2023 Seniors

135 Grades 9-12 125 Grades 5-8

# College-Ready

Classroom learning enhanced by Schoology & Powerschool while on the road for competitions

Advanced Placement Courses: Calculus AB/BC, Statistics, US History English Literature & Composition, Human Geography, Spanish Language

College profs teach DE Courses at VSSA through Colorado Mountain College: Calculus, Algebra, Trigonometry, Stats, Anatomy & Physiology, Biology, Env Sci, English Composition, Sustainability, Drawing, Ceramics

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## **Unique Programs**

All-school wilderness trip, Senior trip

All-school service days & community projects (e.g., bike park design)

Unique mixed grade electives/ seminars in leadership, mindfulness, life skills, e.g., Model UN, Cotillion, Culinary, STEM, Politics, Debate

Independent Study & Work Experience (e.g., Steadman Clinic Research, Mandatory Senior Project)

Spanish class summer trip to Spain

# **Disciplined Academic Results**

**PSAT** 

1150

25

100%

2018: English 96<sup>th</sup> percentile; Math 94<sup>th</sup> percentile 4-yr avg SAT score ~+100pts above National average 5-yr avg ACT score ~+4pts above National average Enrolled in post-secondary school within 3 yrs of grad

Class of 2021

68%

Passing rate (scores 3-5) on AP exams

100%

Enrolled in 3 or more AP courses

95%

Enrolled in 4 or more DE courses

60%

Enrolled in 8 or more DE courses

**60%** 

Will graduate with 24 or more DE credits

## **Disciplined World-Class Athletics**

Alpine - Nordic - Moguls - Ski/Snowboard Park & Pipe/Big Mountain/Cross - Ice hockey/skating - Swimming

The mission of VSSA is to challenge our student-athletes with a rigorous academic curriculum while supporting a world-class training and competition schedule. VSSA student-athletes train six days a week during the competition season with full-time coaches. Nordic training is on-site; Vail Mountain is eight miles away. Additional athletic & extracurricular activities are offered by the school district.

Our students compete on a regional, national or international level, which requires extensive travel and thus unprecedented discipline, time management, and independent learning. With the student's extensive competition & training schedules, VSSA provides on-line platforms and academic counseling to maintain rigorous academic standards.

Since 2008, post-VSSA...

Went on to compete at the National level

of Nordic & Alpine athletes competed in NCAA Division I

Made the US Ski & Snowboard Team or competed at selective International events. 8 went to the Olympics

AP & DE

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# **Graduation Requirements**

75 Credits (One Semester course earns 0.5 credit)

English	4	Mathematics	3
Social Studies	2.5	Science	3
Govt & Economics	1	Health	0.5
Physical Education	1.5	Practical Skills	1
Foreign Language	1	(Art, Culinary, Sr Project)	

#### **Grading System** Non-weight Weighted ed Points **Points** 4 Exemplary 5 3 Meeting 3 4 3 Developing

No Credit No Credit

VSSA does not maintain class rank. With COVID, the grading policy for 2020 Semester 2 was consistent but students could elect a "pass" grade.

# College Enrollment

