



10585 Mountain Vista Ridge
 Highlands Ranch, CO 80126
 303.387.1500
 303.387.1501 fax
 mountainvistaonline.org
 CEEB Code 060-747

Mountain Vista High School

2016-2017 Profile

Academics

We are proud of the outstanding academic programs available at Mountain Vista High School. Academic achievement is the priority at our school, and our academic program includes a variety of Honors, Advanced Placement and concurrent enrollment college level classes for credit.

Graduation Requirements

Each student must successfully complete a minimum of 24 credits in order to graduate from Mountain Vista High School. Students must also complete 20 hours of community service. Specific requirements are listed below:

Language Arts	4.0
Social Studies	3.0
Mathematics	3.0
Science	3.0
Practical Arts	1.0
Fine Arts	1.0
Physical Education	1.0
Electives	8.0
Community Service	20 Hours

Grading System

Grade	Percent	Points	Advanced Placement
A	90-100	4.00	5.00
B	80-89	3.00	4.00
C	70-79	2.00	3.00
D	60-69	1.00	1.00

National Merit Program

MVHS Class of 2016 was honored to have three National Merit Finalist and twelve commended scholars.

Graduates

Mountain Vista High School had its eleventh graduating class (490 students) in 2016.

Advanced Placement Courses

In 2016, AP exams were given to 736 Mountain Vista students, with 75% of the students scoring a three or higher. Colorado and global average for students scoring a three or higher is 60%-62%.

Biology	Spanish Language
Chemistry	Spanish Literature
Physics I, II, C	French Language
Environmental Science	Drawing & Painting
Calculus AB, BC	Ceramics
Statistics	Photography
English Lang & Comp	Graphic Design
English Lit & Comp	Art History
US & World History	Music Theory
European History	Studio Art
Micro & Macro Economics	Psychology
Computer Science Principles	Human Geography
Computer Science A	US Government

Concurrent Enrollment

Through Arapahoe Community College, Mountain Vista offers over 20 college level classes where students earn both high school and college credit. These classes are taught on site by Mountain Vista staff.

Standardized Test Scores

American College Test

	MVHS	CO	National
Composite	23.7	20.4	20.8

* MVHS Class of 2017 State Test Average 24.1

Scholastic Aptitude Test

	MVHS	CO	National
Reading	585	587	494
Math	603	589	508
Writing	577	571	482

Mission Statement

As a school community that cares for and respects each individual, we work together to create an academically-challenging environment, to support learning and high achievement, and to promote productive and responsible citizenship.

Our School and Community

Our doors opened in August of 2001 with 350 students. Currently, Mountain Vista has approximately 2260 students. We are a traditional, comprehensive public high school with a strong college preparatory program that serves grades 9-12. The 176-day school calendar is comprised of two 18-week semesters.

We have consistently achieved “Excellent” ratings in our overall academic performance. Mountain Vista High School has exceeded or met all performance criteria on Colorado’s School Performance Framework with outstanding annual ratings in Academic Achievement along with top scores in the Postsecondary and Work Force Readiness Indicator.

Mountain Vista High School is accredited through Douglas County School District by the Colorado Department of Education.

Faculty

Mountain Vista High School has an outstanding enthusiastic staff consisting of a principal, three assistant principals, six counselors, an athletic director, two administrative deans with 130 Colorado state-certified instructors. All of MVHS staff members are highly qualified to teach in the subject area of which they received their primary degree, more than sixty percent of Mountain Vista’s faculty has acquired a Master’s Degree or higher, and nearly fifty percent has eight or more years of teaching experience.

Activities and Athletics

The Arts: Mountain Vista provides many opportunities for students to express themselves in our fine arts and performing arts programs. Students work in Fine Arts courses such as Drawing & Painting, Graphics, Ceramics, Jewelry, Sculpture and Photography are displayed throughout our school and community. Our Stage Flight Theatre, band, orchestra and choir groups produce major shows throughout the year and are frequently selected to the AHSTF. Groups and individuals from each area consistently participate in state and national competitions.

Co-curricular Activities: In a partnership with many of our courses, we offer students the opportunity to enrich their learning experience by participating in our academic groups. These groups include DECA, FLBA, FCCLA, HOSA, Link Crew, Mock Trial, MV Media (Aerie yearbook, Eagle Eye magazine, VistaNow.org and VistaNow Video), Speech & Debate, Student Leadership and TSA. These groups have received numerous state and national recognition over the years.

Honors Societies: We offer numerous honor societies where students are encouraged to go above and beyond in academic areas to explore their passion. These include ASL, French, Spanish, Art, Tri-M Music and National Honor Society.

Clubs: Students with a passion for serving their community can join BIONIC, Interact or Key Club. All offer an opportunity for students to work together to pursue club endeavors. Students have the opportunity to create clubs based on their own interests such as Anime, Dungeons & Dragons, FCA, GSA, Iron Eagle Powerlifting and Rock Climbing.

Sports: There are 23 athletic teams that compete at the varsity level while maintaining high academic standards. In 2015/2016 MVHS won or took second in the Continental League in nine sports including Lacrosse, Girls Soccer, Girls Tennis, Boys Soccer, Boys Tennis, Football, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Cheer and Poms, winning state titles in Boys Cross Country and Poms.

Administration
Michael Weaver, Principal
Rob Ceglie, Assistant Principal
Alan Long, Assistant Principal
Robert Peterson, Assistant Principal
Shawn Terry, Athletic Director
Blaine Haskell, Administrative Dean
Heidi Schuster-Beckman, Administrative Dean

Counselors		
Robyn Mott	A-Cop	robyn.mott@dcsdk12.org
Aaron Ragon	Cor-G	aaron.ragon@dcsdk12.org
Michael Monnet	H-Le	michael.monnet@dcsdk12.org
Caeleigh Shellhart	Li-Pa	caeleigh.shellhart@dcsdk12.org
Emma Schofield	Pe-Sn	emily.schofield@dcsdk12.org
Wendy Strait	So-Z	wendy.strait@dcsdk12.org
Dara Harget	Registrar	dara.harget@dcsdk12.org