

Vermonters for Better Education

and the

VERMONT INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION

VERMONT INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS: CONTRIBUTORS TO THE COMMON GOOD

Survey of Independent Schools in Vermont
2001-2002

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Independent schools have been a part of Vermont since the 1700s, predating the appearance of public schools in the state.

In fact, New England itself is the home of the country's first independent academy, Boston Latin School, founded in 1635. Respect for the independent academy, commitment to education, and Vermont's unique tuition town voucher system have led to a diverse educational landscape for over 100 years.

Yet despite the contributions independent schools make to the state and the fact that thousands of students are educated in them every year, myths about them persist.

Some people think of them as elitist institutions only available to the advantaged. Others view them as outside the community, institutions set apart, which don't contribute in the same way as public schools do to community life or democracy in general.

In fact, critics of school choice programs often refer to public schools as the "foundation of democracy," implying that they play a stronger role than independent schools in promoting civic values, advancing democracy or creating cultures of tolerance.

What Do We Know About Independent Schools in America?

U.S. Department of Education data collected in 1992 and analyzed by researcher Jay Greene found the following:

Independent schools in the U.S. are integrated:

- 55 percent of public school students are in segregated classrooms (more than 90 percent or less than 10 percent minority students)
- 41 percent of independent school students are in segregated classrooms

Independent schools produce racial tolerance:

- 31 percent of independent school student respondents “made friends with students from other racial and ethnic backgrounds”
- 18 percent of public students reported the same result
- 64 percent of independent school students reported fights between racial groups do not occur at their schools
- 29 percent of public school students reported the same

Independent schools offer an education in morals and democratic values:

- 71 percent of independent school administrators rated their schools “outstanding in teaching values and morals”
- 11 percent of public school administrators gave their schools the same ranking
- 26 percent of independent school administrators rated their schools “outstanding” in promoting awareness of contemporary and social issues
- 17 percent of public school administrators ranked their schools “outstanding” in this area
- 29 percent of independent school administrators ranked their schools “outstanding” in promoting citizenship
- 17 percent of public school administrators rated their schools “outstanding” in this regard.

What Do We Know About Vermont’s Independent Schools?

While in-state data on the same issues does not exist, the Vermont Independent Schools Association along with Vermonters for Better Education surveyed independent schools in the state to determine what contributions, if any, they make to their communities. How many students do they educate? How many people do they employ? How much tuition do they charge?

The answers to these questions paint a picture of independent schools providing rich and invaluable resources to their communities and the state through the numbers of children they educate, their commitment to access for the less advantaged, the numbers of people they employ, and the variety of collaborative programs in which they engage with their public school colleagues.

This report provides a snapshot of those contributions. And the picture is filled with good news. Vermont independent schools not only contribute to the common good of the state. The common good would be harmed by policies that in any way threaten the vitality of the independent school “industry” in Vermont. In fact, policies that could enhance the vitality of independent schools would benefit the common good.

SURVEY OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

Number of schools surveyed:.....147
Number of responses:66
Returned, bad address, moved?:2

RELIGIOUS/NONRELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

Number of religious schools27
Number of non-religious schools.....39

If religious, denomination:

Nondenominational Christian:10
Catholic:12
Baptist:3
Seventh.Day Adventist:2

AGE OF SCHOOLS

Years schools were founded:

1990-present.....28
1980-'8911
1970-'7913
1960-'691
1950-'591
1900-1949 4
1829-18998

TUITIONS

2001-02

- Range: \$150 to \$33,800 (Many schools charge different tuitions for different grade levels or for other reasons.)
- Average: \$6,286.02 (includes all schools, including seven schools with overwhelming special needs enrollments and one ski school – all with tuitions from three to five times greater than the average)
- Median: \$4,035 (includes all schools, even eight special schools)
- Average (with special schools excluded): \$4,766
- Median (with special schools excluded): \$3,710

BUDGETS

- Range: from \$4,000 to nearly \$13 million
- Combined budgets of respondents answering this question: \$56,154,547

GRADES TAUGHT

Ungraded:.....2

Pre-school/Elementary

Prek-k:.....2

K:.....2

Prek-3:.....1

K-5:.....1

K-6:.....4

Elementary/Junior High/High school

Prek-7:.....1

Prek-8:.....10

Prek-11.....1

Prek-12:.....2

K-8:.....7

K-9:.....1

K-12:.....6

1-8:.....1

1-12:.....3

3-12:.....1

4-8:.....1

4-12:.....1

5-12:.....1

Junior High/High school

6-12:.....2

7-9:.....1

7-10:.....1

7-12:.....5

8-12:.....1

11.....1

9-12:.....6

ENROLLMENTS

2001-02

Total (from respondents): 7,717 students

Vermont Department of Education figures show 9,311 students enrolled in all independent schools for 2001-02 – this represents nearly 10 percent of the total student enrollment in Vermont.

Range: 4 to 1,077

Average:117

Median:63

STUDENTS RECEIVING SCHOLARSHIP AID

- 47 schools report some percentage of students receive scholarship aid.
- 44 schools report that **10 percent** or more of their students receive scholarship aid.
- 18 schools report that **30 percent** or more of their students receive scholarship aid.
- 21 schools report that some or all of their students are **publicly funded – either through town tuition money or special education funding.**

MINORITY STUDENTS

- 51 schools report some percentage of their students are members of a minority group.

SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS

- 37 schools report some percentage of special education students.

TRANSPORTATION

Does school provide transportation:

Yes:8

No:.....57

No answer:1

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

- Total number of faculty, administration, staff (part-time and full-time): 1,633.5

ASSESSMENTS

Note: Many schools administer more than one test.

Stanford Achievement:	20
NSRE:	16
Iowa Test of Basic Skills:	5
Terra Nova:	4
California Achievement:	3
Scholastic Aptitude:	3
PSAT:	5
ACT:	1
“In house” test:	3
Other:	7
No assessments:	9
No answer:	9

COLLEGE ASPIRATIONS

Where Vermont independent school students have gone to college:

Alaska University, Arizona State, Bates, Berkeley, Bob Jones University, Boston College, Boston University, Brown, Carlton, Castleton State, Catholic University, Champlain, Clearwater, Colby-Sawyer, Columbia, Connecticut College, Cornell, Dartmouth, Eastern Nazarene College, Gordon, Grove City, Harvard, Hollins, Indiana Wesleyan, Johnson State, Liberty, Lyndon State, McGill, Messiah, Middlebury, Moody Bible Institute, Mount Holyoke, Nassau Community College, Norwich, Notre Dame, Nyack College, Pensacola Christian, Princeton, St. Anselms, St. Lawrence, St. Michael’s, Siena, Smith, Sterling College, Swarthmore, Tulane, University of Connecticut, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, UNH, U Penn, UVM, Vassar, Vermont Technical College, Wesleyan, Williams, Yale and many more.

NOTABLE ALUMS OF VERMONT INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

- Calvin Coolidge
- David Hale, economist
- Sen. Patrick Leahy
- US Ski Team member Jessica Kelley
- Mary McGarry Morris, author
- John Daley, Lt. Governor
- Tony Marro, Pulitzer-prizewinner
- Bob Rotella, author
- Liza Baker, author
- Mark Lundstrom (Rhodes Scholar)
- Daron Rahlves (World Cup Champion in Super G)
- Doug Lewis (Bronze Medal, Downhill World Championships)
- Michael Stackpole, author of 27 published novels
- Alesandra Navolla, actor
- Christopher Kelly, sportscaster

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Schools that sponsor community programs:

Do Sponsor:	56
Do not sponsor:	4
No answer:	6

Examples:

- “community service project each year”
- facilities used for community classes
- food drives
- “adopt a family”
- holiday project
- Masses
- fundraising for various organizations – breast cancer, September 11 fund, buddy programs
- singing at rest homes
- gifts to Angel Tree program for children whose parents are in jail
- shoe boxes to Romania for children
- support two children in orphanages
- Thanksgiving and Christmas food drives for needy families
- clothing drives
- Green Up Day
- community Haunted House
- rake leaves in the fall for neighbors
- community service “winter term”
- coin drive in response to September 11
- let community groups use building
- basketball clinics/camps
- outreach to nursing homes
- outreach to inner city Philadelphia
- work with Barre soup kitchen
- annual May festival
- parenting workshops
- serve lunch to Ripton Elders
- set up Ripton community recycling
- do water quality monitoring
- Salvation Army and elderly volunteer activities
- pet supplies for Humane Society
- United Way
- collection for Shriners Hospital
- Habitat for Humanity
- district music and drama festivals

- Christmas breakfast
- help at homeless shelter
- student council sponsors Red Cross blood drives
- Meals on Wheels
- Adopt a Great Grandparent
- Connecticut Riverfest
- sell wreaths to raise money for Red Cross
- bottle drives to benefit Afghan children
- scouts use facilities
- contribute to VPR
- hosted US Chess association Tournaments, Taiko Drum workshops
- member of two local chambers of commerce

COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS WITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Yes:33
 No:20
 No answer:13

Comments, examples:

- ski schools work with public schools on curriculum
- one kindergarten and preschool has “a close collaborative arrangement with many of the area public schools that help to provide a good continuing education for the students who move on”
- Burlington schools provide tutoring for eligible independent school students
- students attend tech center
- EEE program shares a teacher
- music and drivers ed at local high school
- meet regularly with public school administrators to find ways to share resources
- some students attend classes, vocational mostly
- play in Division 4 basketball
- have formal link to Vergennes Union High School
- testing for learning difficulties
- professional development
- share lunch program with public school
- drama presentations with public school
- share local public school’s ski program
- pen pal exchange in lower grades – students visit each other’s classroom
- after school Adventures program

Despite these collaborative efforts, a few schools volunteered less-than-receptive attitudes from local public schools, as evidenced by these quotes:

- “Our students have at times been told they are unwelcome on the public high school property.”
- “We will welcome the opportunity when government education learns to look at us as a resource and partner rather than a Trojan horse and irritation.”

CONCLUSIONS

The first observation that can be made when viewing information about Vermont’s independent schools is that they are wonderfully diverse. They range in size from the tiny school with less than a handful of students to the large high school with more than a thousand. They are nonreligious and religious. They handle special needs children or specialize themselves in skiing.

EDUCATING MORE CHILDREN

Probing further, we can see that the majority of independent schools in the state responding to this survey have sprung up relatively recently. Nearly a third were founded in the past dozen years. More than half since 1980.

This could reflect a response to market need. Independent school enrollment has been increasing over the past three years while total numbers of Vermont students have been declining. So, not only are independent schools educating more students, they are educating a larger share of the total number of students in the state.

According to the Vermont Department of Education, total Vermont students during the past three school years are as follows:

2000-01:	112,946
2001-02:	112,095
2002-03:	110,455

While those numbers have trended slightly downward, independent school enrollment has trended upward (combined enrollment in approved and recognized independent schools, grades k-12):

2000-01:	8,795
2001-02:	9,311
2002-03:	9,498

COMMITMENT TO ACCESS

Independent schools in Vermont have a commitment to access as deep as their commitment to achievement. Tuitions at the vast majority of independent schools are lower than average per pupil spending in Vermont.

In addition, the overwhelming majority of respondents report that their students are receiving some form of financial aid. In some schools, the percentage of scholarship students is 50 percent or more.

Over half the schools report special education students are included in their enrollment figures, and at least seven schools specifically target special needs children. When public funds follow the child, independent schools are able to educate special needs children.

Even though independent school enrollment is on the rise, only a few schools provide some transportation service, which illustrates that students are able to access these schools even without a transportation plan.

MEASURING SUCCESS

Nearly all the respondents report using some kind of assessment tool to measure achievement. The most commonly-used tool is the Stanford Achievement Test, with the state's New Standards Reference Exam coming in second.

Secondary schools report overwhelming majorities of students going on to college, and the postsecondary institutions which accept them range from local state universities to the most prestigious Ivy League universities.

Similarly, independent schools in Vermont boast of a diverse and community-spirited list of alums – ranging from a former president (Calvin Coolidge) to teachers, authors, ministers, doctors, and dentists, and a current state senator.

CONTRIBUTING TO THE COMMUNITY

Economic contributions

If independent schools were grouped together as one “industry” in Vermont, they would rank among the top ten employers in the state. More than 1,600 people work at the schools responding to this survey, and these schools only represent a little less than half of all independent schools in the state.

In addition, budgets at responding schools total nearly \$60,000,000 – money that is used to purchase goods and services in the state as well as pay salaries, money that goes back into the community in some way.

Community service contributions

Just as importantly, however, independent schools foster a sense of community service among their students. Many schools reported requiring community service of their students, or sponsoring “community service days.” Other community service programs are as creative as they are varied, reflecting global awareness and local concerns.

Half the schools surveyed have some form of interaction or collaboration with public schools. This can take shape in shared professional development programs, after school programs, or special needs testing.

Sadly, the one sour note sounded in this report came when several schools reported less than welcoming attitudes from their local public schools.

THE COMMON GOOD

Clearly, independent schools in Vermont contribute to the “common good.” They educate tomorrow’s public servants, doctors, teachers, and business leaders. They instill a sense of community service in their students. They employ enough people to rank among the top employers in the state. And together, their budgets represent a substantial amount of money flowing into their communities.

They do all this while continually striving to open their doors as far as possible to the less-advantaged through reasonable tuitions and scholarship assistance.

It could be argued, in fact, that Vermont’s independent schools play an integral part in the state. Policies that enhance independent schools’ ability to thrive are therefore in the common good. Policies that inhibit their ability to survive detract from the common good.

TABLES
SCHOOLS RESPONDING TO SURVEY - ALPHABETICAL ORDER
ENROLLMENTS AND GRADES TAUGHT

NAME OF SCHOOL	NO. OF STUDENTS	GRADES OFFERED
Annette's Playschool	18	K
Ark Pre School	30	Prek, K
Bellows Free Academy	1077	9-12
Bennington School	108	5-12
Bishop John A. Marshall	145	K-8
The Bridge School	65	K-6
Brookhaven Learning Center	18	K-8
Brownell Mt. School	21	K-8
Burr and Burton Academy	529	9-12
Champlain Valley Christian	80	K-12
Christ Covenant School (Randolph)	11	1-12
Christ the King (Burlington)	240	Prek-8
Christ the King School (Rutland)	340	Prek-8
Christian Heritage School	83	K-12
Compass School	56	7-12
Cornerstone School	35	4-12
The Country School of Randolph Ctr.	4	7-12
Gailer School	72	7-12
Green Mountain Valley School (skiing)	83	9-12
The Greenwood School	40	nongraded
Harvest Christian School	28	6-12
Hiland Hall School	28	nongraded
Holy Family School	71	K-5
Hull Crest	8	9-12
International Children's School	30	Prek-3
Jean Garvin School	20	7-10
Lake Champlain Waldorf School	238	K-9
Long Trail School	142	6-12
Maple Street School	85	K-8
Mary Johnson Children's Center	26	K
Mater Christi	400	Prek-8
Meadowbrook School	8	K-6
Meadows Educational Ctr.	90	K-12
MidVermont Christian School	151	Prek-12
Montpelier Waldorf Child's Garden	16	Prek, K
Mt. Mansfield Winter Acad.	39	8-12
Mount St. Joseph Academy	214	9-12
Mountain School of Milton Academy	90	11
Mountain School Winhall	71	K-8

Mt. View Baptist	11	K-12
Mountain View Community School	35	Prek-8
Neighborhood Schoolhouse	62	Prek-8
Newbury Christian School	45	K-12
North Branch School	10	7-9
North Country Christian Academy	75	Prek-8
Open Fields School	19	K-6
Pathways Academy	56	Prek-8
Peacham Christian Academy	10	1-12
The Riverside School	47	4-8
Rutland Area Christian School	112	Prek-11
Rutland Learning Center	38	3-12
St. Johnsbury Academy	970	9-12
St. Johnsbury Seventh Day Adventist	6	1-8
St. Joseph School	203	Prek-8
St. Mary's School	96	Prek-7
Saint Michael's (Brattleboro)	243	Prek-8
St. Michael's School (Montpelier)	129	K-8
Saint Monica School	179	Prek-8
St. Paul's School	52	K-8
Schoolhouse Learning Center, Inc.	60	K-6
Sharon Academy	85	7-12
Smugglers Notch Tutorial	9	7-12
United Christian Academy	119	K-12
Vermont Achievement Center (Rutland)	44	1-12
Vermont Commons School	70	7-12
Websterville Baptist Christ. Sch.	122	Prek-12

ENROLLMENTS FROM LEAST TO MOST

SCHOOL	ENROLLMENT	GRADES TAUGHT
The Country School of Randolph Ctr.	4	7-12
St. Johnsbury Seventh Day Adventist	6	1-8
Meadowbrook School	8	K-6
Hull Crest	8	9-12
Smugglers Notch Tutorial	9	7-12
North Branch School	10	7-9
Peacham Christian Academy	10	1-12
Christ Covenant School (Randolph)	11	1-12
Mt. View Baptist	11	K-12
Montpelier Waldorf Child's Garden	16	Prek, K
Annette's Playschool	18	K
Brookhaven Learning Center	18	K-8
Open Fields School	19	K-6
Jean Garvin School	20	7-10
Brownell Mt. School	21	K-8
Mary Johnson Children's Center	26	K
Harvest Christian School	28	6-12
Hiland Hall School	28	nongraded
Ark Pre School	30	Prek, K
International Children's School	30	Prek-3
Mountain View Community School	35	Prek-8
Cornerstone School	35	4-12
Rutland Learning Center	38	3-12
Mt. Mansfield Winter Acad.	39	8-12
The Greenwood School	40	ungraded
Vermont Achievement Center (Rutland)	44	1-12
Newbury Christian School	45	K-12
The Riverside School	47	4-8
St. Paul's School	52	K-8
Pathways Academy	56	Pre-k-8
Compass School	56	7-12
Schoolhouse Learning Center, Inc.	60	K-6
Neighborhood Schoolhouse	62	Prek-8
The Bridge School	65	K-6
Vermont Commons School	70	7-12
Holy Family School	71	K-5
Mountain School Winhall	71	K-8
Gailer School	72	7-12
North Country Christian Academy	75	Prek-8
Champlain Valley Christian	80	K-12
Green Mountain Valley School (skiing)	83	9-12

Christian Heritage School	83	K-12
Sharon Academy	85	7-12
Maple Street School	85	K-8
Meadows Educational Ctr.	90	K-12
Mountain School of Milton Academy	90	11
St. Mary's School	96	Prek-7
Bennington School	108	5-12
Rutland Area Christian School	112	Prek-11
United Christian Academy	119	K-12
Websterville Baptist Christ. Sch.	122	Prek-12
St. Michael's School (Montpelier)	129	K-8
Long Trail School	142	6-12
Bishop John A. Marshall	145	K-8
MidVermont Christian School	151	Prek-12
Saint Monica School	179	Prek-8
St. Joseph School	203	Prek-8
Mount St. Joseph Academy	214	9-12
Lake Champlain Waldorf School	238	K-9
Christ the King (Burlington)	240	Prek-8
Saint Michael's (Brattleboro)	243	Prk-8
Christ the King School (Rutland)	340	Prek-8
Mater Christi	400	Prek-8
Burr and Burton Academy	529	9-12
St. Johnsbury Academy	970	9-12
Bellows Free Academy	1077	9-12

TUITION FROM LOWEST TO HIGHEST

Note: Many schools charge different tuitions for different grades. When grades (or other reasons) were specified for a particular tuition, they are noted on the table. Some schools provided a range of tuitions with no explanation for the different rates. The different tuitions are included but with no explanation of how they apply.

NAME OF SCHOOL	2001-02 TUITION	TUITION APPLIES TO: (Grades or type of students)	ALL GRADES TAUGHT AT SCHOOL:
Ark Pre School	\$90/week		Prek, K
St. Johnsbury Seventh Day Adventist	\$150		1-8
Brownell Mt. School	\$180		k-8
St. Johnsbury Seventh Day Adventist	\$200		1-8
Christ Covenant School (Randolph)	\$300		1-12
Smugglers Notch Tutorial	\$800		7-12
MidVermont Christian School	\$910	Prek	Prek-12
North Country Christian Academy	\$1,100	Prek-3-year-olds	Prek-8
Newbury Christian School	\$1,150		K-12
Rutland Area Christian School	\$1,150	Prek	Prek-11
Peacham Christian Academy	\$1,200		1-12
Smugglers Notch Tutorial	\$1,200		7-12
Mt. View Baptist	\$1,500		K-12
St. Paul's School	\$1,600		K-8
Neighborhood Schoolhouse	\$1,782		Prek-8
Rutland Area Christian School	\$1,800	K	Prek-11
St. Joseph School	\$1,800		Prek-8
Websterville Baptist Christ. Sch.	\$2,000	Prek	Prek-12
Harvest Christian School	\$2,000		6-12
MidVermont Christian School	\$2,060	K	Prek-12
North Country Christian Academy	\$2,175	Prek-4-year-olds	Prek-8
North Country Christian Academy	\$2,175	K	Prek-8
Christ the King School (Rutland)	\$2,200		Prek-8
Champlain Valley Christian	\$2,200		K-12
Holy Family School	\$2,200		K-5
United Christian Academy	\$2,250	K-6	K-12
Websterville Baptist Christ. Sch.	\$2,300	K-6	Prek-12
St. Mary's School	\$2,350		Prek-7
St. Joseph School	\$2,350		Prek-8
Montpelier Waldorf Child's Garden	\$2,450		Prek, K
Saint Monica School	\$2,500		Prek-8
Saint Michael's (Brattleboro)	\$2,600	Parish students	Prk-8
Rutland Area Christian School	\$2,650	1-6	Prek-11
United Christian Academy	\$2,650	7-12	K-12

The Country School of Randolph Ctr.	\$2,725		7-12
Holy Family School	\$2,760		K-5
Websterville Baptist Christ. Sch.	\$2,800	7-12	Prek-12
St. Michael's School (Montpelier)	\$2,800		K-8
Saint Michael's (Brattleboro)	\$2,800	Catholic students	Prk-8
Rutland Area Christian School	\$2,800	7-8	Prek-11
Saint Michael's (Brattleboro)	\$3,000	NonCath. students	Prek-8
Bishop John A. Marshall	\$3,000		K-8
Christian Heritage School	\$3,100		K-12
North Country Christian Academy	\$3,200	1-4	Prek-8
Rutland Area Christian School	\$3,200	9-11	Prek-11
North Country Christian Academy	\$3,350	5-8	Prek-8
St. Mary's School	\$3,500		Prek-7
Mount St. Joseph Academy	\$3,370		9-12
Christ the King (Burlington)	\$3,700		Prek-8
Montpelier Waldorf Child's Garden	\$3,720		Prek, K
MidVermont Christian School	\$3,735	Jr. High students	Prek-12
Open Fields School	\$3,800	K	K-6
Open Fields School	\$4,000	1-6	K-6
Mount St. Joseph Academy	\$4,070		
MidVermont Christian School	\$4,095	H.S. students	Prek-12
Mater Christi	\$4,095	1-8	Prek-8
Mater Christi	\$4,140	Prek, K	Prek-8
Champlain Valley Christian	\$4,150		K-12
Meadowbrook School	\$4,200		K-6
Mary Johnson Children's Center	\$4,290		K
Schoolhouse Learning Center, Inc.	\$4,400		K-6
Pathways Academy	\$4,700		Prek-8
Mountain View Community School	\$5,000		Prek-8
Hiland Hall School	\$5,040		nongraded
North Branch School	\$5,400		7-9
Lake Champlain Waldorf School	\$5,550	K	K-9
The Bridge School	\$5,969		K-6
Annette's Playschool	\$6,240		K
Rutland Learning Center	\$6,500		3-12
The Riverside School	\$6,700		4-8
Lake Champlain Waldorf School	\$6,900	Grade school stu.	K-9
Mt. Mansfield Winter Acad.	\$7,000		8-12
International Children's School	\$7,000		Prek-3
Compass School	\$7,036		7-12
Sharon Academy	\$7,036	7-8	7-12
Neighborhood Schoolhouse	\$7,332		Prek-8
Sharon Academy	\$7,347	9-12	7-12
Mountain School Winhall	\$7,800	K-6	K-8
International Children's School	\$8,000		Prek-3
Bellows Free Academy	\$8,081		9-12

Mountain School Winhall	\$8,100	7-8	K-8
Burr and Burton Academy	\$8,100		9-12
St. Johnsbury Academy	\$8,195		9-12
Maple Street School	\$9,450	K	K-8
Maple Street School	\$9,700	1	K-8
Maple Street School	\$9,950	2	K-8
Maple Street School	\$10,200	3	K-8
Maple Street School	\$10,450	4	K-8
Maple Street School	\$10,700	5	K-8
Vermont Commons School	\$10,850		7-12
Maple Street School	\$10,950	6	K-8
Maple Street School	\$11,200	7	K-8
Maple Street School	\$11,450	8	K-8
Lake Champlain Waldorf School	\$11,700	H.S. Students	K-9
Gailer School	\$13,400		7-12
Mountain School of Milton Academy	\$13,475		11
Long Trail School	\$14,300		6-12
Brookhaven Learning Center*	\$18,825		k-8
Green Mountain Valley School (skiing)	\$19,100		9-12
Meadows Educational Ctr.*	\$19,470		k-12
Cornerstone School*	\$21,149		4-12
Jean Garvin School*	\$26,250		7-10
Vermont Achievement Center (Rutland)	\$28,620		1-12
Hull Crest*	\$29,000		9-12
The Greenwood School*	\$33,800		ungraded

* The overwhelming majority of students (often close to 100 percent) in these schools are special education, or special needs children.

**PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS ON SCHOLARSHIP
PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS PUBLICLY FUNDED/TUITIONED**

NAME OF SCHOOL	% STUDENTS ON SCHOLARSHIP	% STUDENTS PUBLICLY FUNDED/TUITIONED
Annette's Playschool	11	0
Ark Pre School	15	0
Bellows Free Academy		100
Bennington School	0	100
Bishop John A. Marshall	40	0
The Bridge School	38	2
Brookhaven Learning Center	0	100
Brownell Mt. School	25	0
Burr and Burton Academy	n/a	95
Champlain Valley Christian	0	0
Christ Covenant School (Randolph)	0	0
Christ the King (Burlington)	>75	0
Christ the King School (Rutland)	21	0
Christian Heritage School	51	0
Compass School	30	25
Cornerstone School	0	100
The Country School of Randolph Ctr.	25	0
Gailer School	40	12
Green Mountain Valley School (skiing)	33	0
The Greenwood School	n/a	37.5
Harvest Christian School	20	0
Hiland Hall School	75	no answer
Holy Family School	20	0
Hull Crest	n/a	100
International Children's School	0	
Jean Garvin School	0	100
Lake Champlain Waldorf School	23.5	2
Long Trail School	50	50
Maple Street School	30	11
Mary Johnson Children's Center	35	0
Mater Christi	20	0
Meadowbrook School	25	0
Meadows Educational Ctr.	n/a	n/a
MidVermont Christian School	73	0
Montpelier Waldorf Child's Garden	12.5	0
Mt. Mansfield Winter Acad.	10	0
Mount St. Joseph Academy	30	0

Mountain School of Milton Academy	27	0
Mountain School Winhall	5	85
Mt. View Baptist	0	0
Mountain View Community School	20	6
Neighborhood Schoolhouse	31	0
Newbury Christian School	0	0
North Branch School	50	0
North Country Christian Academy	10	0
Open Fields School	16	0
Pathways Academy	20	0
Peacham Christian Academy	20	0
The Riverside School	no ans	no ans
Rutland Area Christian School	25	0
Rutland Learning Center	1	50
St. Johnsbury Academy	17	42
St. Johnsbury Seventh Day Adventist	0	0
St. Joseph School	11	0
St. Mary's School	12	0
Saint Michael's (Brattleboro)	35	0
St. Michael's School (Montpelier)	53	0
Saint Monica School	10	0
St. Paul's School	40	0
Schoolhouse Learning Center, Inc.	18	1.7
Sharon Academy	3.5	76
Smugglers Notch Tutorial	0	0
United Christian Academy	15	0
Vermont Achievement Center (Rutland)	0	100
Vermont Commons School	12	14
Websterville Baptist Christ. Sch.	no ans	no ans

**PERCENTAGE OF MINORITY STUDENTS
PERCENTAGE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS**

NAME OF SCHOOL	% MINORITY	% SP. ED.	“504” (Federal designation)
Annette’s Playschool	5	0	
Ark Pre School	0	0	
Bellows Free Academy	4	13	3
Bennington School	20	90	
Bishop John A. Marshall	2	5	5
The Bridge School	3	n/a	
Brookhaven Learning Center	5.5	100	100
Brownell Mt. School	60	10	
Burr and Burton Academy	7	15	2
Champlain Valley Christian	3	no ans	
Christ Covenant School (Randolph)	0	n/a	
Christ the King (Burlington)	1	1	
Christ the King School (Rutland)	4	2	3
Christian Heritage School	2	4	
Compass School	5	20	10
Cornerstone School*	2	100	
The Country School of Randolph Ctr.	0	0	25
Gailer School	0	0	
Green Mountain Valley School (skiing)	4	26	2
The Greenwood School*	15	20	
Harvest Christian School	14	14	
Hiland Hall School	1	7	
Holy Family School	1	no ans	
Hull Crest*	12.5	100	
International Children’s School	5	0	
Jean Garvin School*	0	100	
Lake Champlain Waldorf School	3	0	
Long Trail School	8	8	5
Maple Street School	4.7	0	
Mary Johnson Children’s Center	7	19	
Mater Christi	3	n/a	0.5
Meadowbrook School	25	25	
Meadows Educational Ctr.*	0	80	10
MidVermont Christian School	1.3	0	
Montpelier Waldorf Child’s Garden	0	0	
Mt. Mansfield Winter Acad.	n/a	n/a	

Mount St. Joseph Academy	3.3	3.3	14.9
Mountain School of Milton Academy	27	0	
Mountain School Winhall	2	9	2
Mt. View Baptist	0	0	
Mountain View Community School	9	no ans	
Neighborhood Schoolhouse	no ans	9.7	
Newbury Christian School	0	0	
North Branch School	30	7	
North Country Christian Academy	3	n/a	
Open Fields School	16	10	
Pathways Academy	5	5	
Peacham Christian Academy	n/a	no ans	
The Riverside School	4	0	
Rutland Area Christian School	1	8	8
Rutland Learning Center	10	80	10
St. Johnsbury Academy	14.8	5.5	3
St. Johnsbury Seventh Day Adventist	17	0	
St. Joseph School	8	0	
St. Mary's School	4	0	
Saint Michael's (Brattleboro)	6	1	
St. Michael's School (Montpelier)	.007	.03	
Saint Monica School	.05	.05	
St. Paul's School	2	1	
Schoolhouse Learning Center, Inc.	20	3.3	1.7
Sharon Academy	10	5.9	3.5
Smugglers Notch Tutorial	0	0	
United Christian Academy	3	5	
Vermont Achievement Center (Rutland)	0	98	1
Vermont Commons School	3	“will not deal with paperwork”	
Websterville Baptist Christ. Sch.	no ans	no ans	

FACULTY AND STAFF

NAME OF SCHOOL	F-T Faculty/Staff	P-T	Other	TOTAL
Annette's Playschool	1	2	15	18
Ark Pre School	4	1	0	5
Bellows Free Academy	112	3	49	164
Bennington School	160	0	0	160
Bishop John A. Marshall	12	5	3	20
The Bridge School	7	1	1	9
Brookhaven Learning Center	23	0	6	29
Brownell Mt. School	2	2	0	4
Burr and Burton Academy	65	5	25	95
Champlain Valley Christian	6	6	3	15
Christ Covenant School (Randolph)	3	3	0	6
Christ the King (Burlington)	14	5	10	29
Christ the King School (Rutland)	25	3	4	32
Christian Heritage School	10	3	0	13
Compass School	8	1	1	10
Cornerstone School*	17	0	1	18
The Country School of Randolph Ctr.	1	0	1	2
Gailer School	15	1	0	16
Green Mountain Valley School (skiing)	29	1	3	33
The Greenwood School*	20	2	3	25
Harvest Christian School	3	4	5	12
Hiland Hall School	1	2	1	4
Holy Family School	8	4	1	13
Hull Crest*	3	0	0	3
International Children's School	3	4	2	9
Jean Garvin School*	9	2	0	11
Lake Champlain Waldorf School	28	9	1	38
Long Trail School	40	5	0	45
Maple Street School	12	6	0	18
Mary Johnson Children's Center	17	0	5	22
Mater Christi	30.5	2	13	45.5
Meadowbrook School	2	1	1	4
Meadows Educational Ctr.*	20	3	20	43
MidVermont Christian School	15	7	4	26
Montpelier Waldorf Child's Garden	1	2	1	4
Mt. Mansfield Winter Acad.	1	1	3	5
Mount St. Joseph Academy	21	7	10	38

Mountain School of Milton Academy	14	8	5	27
Mountain School Winhall	7	4	1	12
Mt. View Baptist	3	1	0	4
Mountain View Community School	5	2	0	7
Neighborhood Schoolhouse	5	4	3	12
Newbury Christian School	6	0	1	7
North Branch School	1	3	0	4
North Country Christian Academy	7	6	0	13
Open Fields School	3	0	1	4
Pathways Academy	6	1	1	8
Peacham Christian Academy	2	2	1	5
The Riverside School	6	3	0	9
Rutland Area Christian School	12	10	3	25
Rutland Learning Center	6	4	1	11
St. Johnsbury Academy	112	8	71	191
St. Johnsbury Seventh Day Adventist	1	0	0	1
St. Joseph School	12	5	9	26
St. Mary's School	8	9	1	18
Saint Michael's (Brattleboro)	14	6	13	33
St. Michael's School (Montpelier)	10	4	2	16
Saint Monica School	12	4	7	23
St. Paul's School	5	1	1	7
Schoolhouse Learning Center, Inc.	4	3	1	8
Sharon Academy	11	7	2	20
Smugglers Notch Tutorial	0	7	1	8
United Christian Academy	11	4	5	20
Vermont Achievement Center (Rutland)	25	1	2	28
Vermont Commons School	13	6	0	19
Websterville Baptist Christ. Sch.	12	7	5	24

BUDGETS

NAME OF SCHOOL	BUDGET	GRADES TAUGHT
Annette's Playschool	no ans	K
Ark Pre School	no ans	Prek, K
Bellows Free Academy	7,500,000	9-12
Bennington School	no ans	5-12
Bishop John A. Marshall	600,000	K-8
The Bridge School	375,745	K-6
Brookhaven Learning Center	1,000,000	K-8
Brownell Mt. School	no ans	K-8
Burr and Burton Academy	6,000,000	9-12
Champlain Valley Christian	no ans	K-12
Christ Covenant School (Randolph)	4,000	1-12
Christ the King (Burlington)	900,000	Prek-8
Christ the King School (Rutland)	no ans	Prek-8
Christian Heritage School	no ans	K-12
Compass School	450,000	7-12
Cornerstone School*	no ans	4-12
The Country School of Randolph Ctr.	no ans	7-12
Gailer School	1,447,832	7-12
Green Mountain Valley School (skiing)	1,898,460	9-12
The Greenwood School*	1,700,000	nongraded
Harvest Christian School	175,000	6-12
Hiland Hall School	80,000	nongraded
Holy Family School	500,000	K-5
Hull Crest*	no ans	9-12
International Children's School	no ans	Prek-3
Jean Garvin School*	564,000	7-10
Lake Champlain Waldorf School	1,916,338	K-9
Long Trail School	2,000,000	6-12
Maple Street School	1,036,970	K-8
Mary Johnson Children's Center	796,293	K
Mater Christi	2,096,440	Prek-8
Meadowbrook School	32,000	K-6
Meadows Educational Ctr.*	no ans	K-12
MidVermont Christian School	938,688	Prek-12
Montpelier Waldorf Child's Garden	75,000	Prek, K
Mt. Mansfield Winter Acad.	300,000	8-12
Mount St. Joseph Academy	1,465,214	9-12
Mountain School of Milton Academy	1,200,000	11
Mountain School Winhall	500,000	K-8
Mt. View Baptist	20,000	K-12
Mountain View Community School	176,410	Prek-8

Neighborhood Schoolhouse	400,000	Prek-8
Newbury Christian School	35,000	K-12
North Branch School	90,000	7-9
North Country Christian Academy	265,000	Prek-8
Open Fields School	120,000	K-6
Pathways Academy	208,000	Prek-8
Peacham Christian Academy	11,000	1-12
The Riverside School	no ans	4-8
Rutland Area Christian School	380,000	Prek-11
Rutland Learning Center	no ans	3-12
St. Johnsbury Academy	12,939,026	9-12
St. Johnsbury Seventh Day Adventist	35,000	1-8
St. Joseph School	500,000	Prek-8
St. Mary's School	400,000	Prek-7
Saint Michael's (Brattleboro)	771,229	Prek-8
St. Michael's School (Montpelier)	467,652	k-8
Saint Monica School	540,000	Prek-8
St. Paul's School	197,000	K-8
Schoolhouse Learning Center, Inc.	328,100	K-6
Sharon Academy	596,650	7-12
Smugglers Notch Tutorial	8,500	7-12
United Christian Academy	434,000	k-12
Vermont Achievement Center (Rutland)	800,000	1-12
Vermont Commons School	880,000	7-12
Websterville Baptist Christ. Sch.	no ans	Prek-12