

# 2023-24

## MONTVERDE ACADEMY

### College Profile

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Upper School Counselor

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### Montverde Academy Philosophy

Founded in 1912, Montverde Academy (MVA) is a college preparatory, coeducational boarding and day school serving grades Pre-K3-12 and post-graduates. The boarding program serves boys and girls in grades 7-12 and post-graduates. Montverde Academy seeks to develop students whose desire to learn and grow within a challenging academic community is complemented by their own willingness to be positive contributors to the school community through involvement in an array of opportunities in the fine arts and athletics as well as clubs and service organizations. Knowledge, Character and Community are the fundamental values upon which Montverde Academy was built and continue to be the guiding force in our pursuit of educational excellence.

### Our Mission

To inspire students to become leaders with a passion for knowledge, global vision and innovation while developing character in a nurturing and diverse community.

### Accreditation

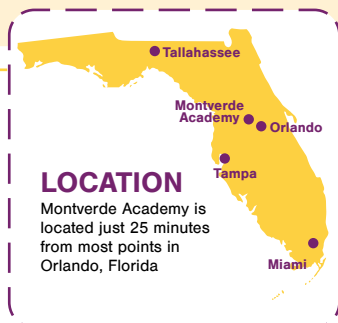
- Florida Council of Independent Schools (FCIS) - Cognia (SACS/AdvancedED)
- Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS)

### Graduation Requirements

Students must have a cumulative total of 24 credits, 100 hours of community service, and complete their senior speech. One credit consists of a full-year course or two one-semester courses. The following credits are required for graduation:

- English\* 4 credits - Students whose primary language is not English must earn a minimum of three credits in English, including a minimum of one full credit in English I or higher.
- Mathematics\* 3 credits - A minimum three credit requirement including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II
- Science 3 credits - One credit of Biology is required for all Upper School students.
- Social Studies 3 credits - One credit of US History is a required course for all Upper School students.
- World Language 2 credits - Students whose first language is English are required to take at least two consecutive years of the same world language in grades 9-12.
- Physical Education 1 credits - Credits are earned for afternoon activities, a team sport or health and fitness class.
- Art 1 credit - One credit of Fine/Performing/Media Arts is required for all Upper School students.
- Electives 7 credits

*\*All Upper School students are required to be enrolled in at least one English course throughout each academic year and are required to take a minimum of three years of mathematics.*



## Grading Scale

<b>A+</b> 97-100	<b>B+</b> 87-89	<b>C+</b> 77-79	<b>D+</b> 67-69	<b>F</b> 0-59
<b>A</b> 93-96	<b>B</b> 83-86	<b>C</b> 73-76	<b>D</b> 63-66	<b>I</b> Incomplete
<b>A-</b> 90-92	<b>B-</b> 80-82	<b>C-</b> 70-72	<b>D-</b> 60-62	

## Course Weighting

Montverde Academy will report weighted and unweighted grades on its official transcripts. The transcript includes a yearly weighted GPA for courses completed. As a policy, our students are not ranked.

## Weighted Cumulative GPA Data for the Class of 2023

**Highest GPA:** 4.5      **Average GPA:** 3.6      **Lowest GPA:** 2.25

## Grade Point Averaging Weighting

Students taking an Honors level class will have .4 added to their GPA and .8 for each AP course.

Course	Honors	AP®	DE Credit
A	4.4	4.8	4.8
B	3.4	3.8	3.8
C	2.4	2.8	2.8
D	1.4	1.8	1.8

Dual Enrollment (DE) courses awarded 3 credits by the college will earn 0.5 MVA credit. DE courses awarded 4 credits by the college will earn 1.0 MVA credit.

## Graduation Requirements

24 credits | 100 hours of community service | Senior Speech

## Enrollment Data

**2021 Class Size:** 227      **High School Enrollment:** 660  
**2022 Class Size:** 235      **High School Enrollment:** 762  
**2023 Class Size:** 218      **High School Enrollment:** 738

## Advanced Placement Exam Results

In May 2023, 368 students took 793 tests. Seventy-five percent of exam takers scored a 3 or higher.

Score	Number of Exams	Percent of Total
5	130	16%
4	210	27%
3	216	27%
2	178	23%
1	59	7%

## Honorary Societies

- Cum Laude Society
- Distinguished Scholars Program
- French National Honor Society
- International Thespian Society
- Mu Alpha Theta
- National Art Honor Society
- National Honor Society
- Quill and Scroll International Honor Society
- Rho Kappa National Social Studies Honor Society
- Science National Honor Society
- Spanish National Honor Society
- Tri-M Honor Society

## AP® and Honors

Montverde Academy offers 31 Advanced Placement (AP) courses and 20 Honors courses.

## Courses Offered

### English

English I	English III Honors	AP English Language and Composition
English I Honors	English IV	AP English Literature and Composition
English II	English IV Honors	AP English Literature and Composition English I
English II Honors	Journalism I, II and III	
English III		

### Additional Offerings in English

Creative Writing I	Composition II	Creative Nonfiction Honors
Creative Writing II	Communication II	Poetry Honors
Literature I	Literature III	AP Research
Composition I	Composition III	AP Seminar
Communication I	Communication III	
Literature II	Advanced Composition	

### World Languages

French I	Spanish II	Spanish for Native & Heritage Speakers II
French II	Spanish III	AP Spanish Language & Culture
French III	Spanish IV Honors	AP Spanish Literature & Culture
French IV Honors	Spanish for Native & Heritage Speakers I	
AP French Language		
Spanish I		

### Mathematics

Advanced Algebra & Trigonometry	Geometry	AP Calculus BC
Algebra I	Geometry Honors	Statistics & Probability
Algebra II	Pre-Calculus	Multi-variable Calculus
Algebra II Honors	Pre-Calculus Honors	AP Statistics
College Readiness Math	Calculus Honors	
	AP Calculus AB	

### Sciences

Aerospace Engineering	Digital Electronics	Physics
Anatomy and Physiology Honors	Ecology	Engineering
Architectural Engineering	Engineering Essentials	AP Biology
Biochemistry Honors	Environmental Science Honors	AP Chemistry
Biology	Epidemiology	AP Environmental Science
Biology Honors	Forensic Science I	AP Physics I
Chemistry	Forensic Science II	AP Physics II
Chemistry Honors	Kinesiology	AP Physics C
Civil Engineering	Marine Biology I and II	
	Poly Chemistry Honors	

### Social Studies

African American History	Holocaust	AP U.S. Government & Politics
Civil War	Model UN I	AP Human Geography
Criminal Law Honors	Model UN II	AP U.S. History
Economics	World History	AP World History
Economics for Financial Literacy	World History Honors	Intro to Philosophy
Entrepreneurship I	US History	Psychology
Entrepreneurship II	US History Honors	Abnormal Psychology
Gender Studies	World Religion	AP Macroeconomics
Global Politics	Political Science	AP Microeconomics
Government Honors I	AP Comparative Government	AP Psychology
	AP European History	

### Technology and Modern Arts

Advanced Film Production	TV Production	Programming I
EA SPORTS Gaming at MVA	AP Computer Science	Programming II
Filmmaking I	AP Computer Science	Programming III
Filmmaking II	Principles	Sports Media
History of Gaming	Microsoft Office	Yearbook
Game Theory & Design	Photoshop	
Independent Study Film	Intro to Programming	

### Fine and Performing Arts

AP Studio Art	Drawing I	Piano Studies I
Advanced Ceramics	Drawing II	Independent Study Piano I
Ceramics	Guitar	Independent Study Piano II
Crafts	Painting	Independent Study Piano III
Weaving	Playwriting	Theatre Theory
Children's Theatre	Photo I	AP Art History
Dance & Movement	Photo II	AP Music Theory
Public Speaking	Independent Study Photo	AP Studio Art
Introduction to Art	Concert Choir	
Studio Art	Music Production	

### Other Offerings

Leaders in History	Robotics II	Internship Program for interested Seniors
Multicultural Perspectives	Sports Management	
Robotics I	Sports Psychology	

\*Students must meet prerequisites to enroll in Honors and AP courses.



## Distinctive Co-Curricular Programs/Clubs

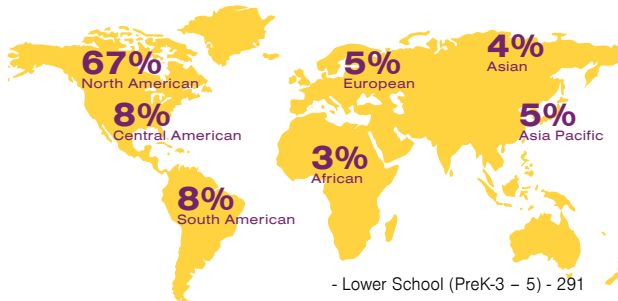
Montverde Academy offers premier programs for students including:

- EA SPORTS Gaming at MVA
- Montverde Academy Dance Conservatory
- Montverde Academy Music Conservatory
- Montverde Academy Theatre Conservatory
- The Soccer Institute at Montverde Academy (SIMA)
- The Montverde Academy Center for Basketball Development (CBD)
- Montverde Aquatic Club (MVAC)
- Montverde Academy Tennis by Jaime Oncins (MAT)
- Montverde International Futbol Club (MIFC)
- Elite Volleyball Prep (EVP)
- International Junior Golf Academy (IJGA)

## Distinguished Service Organizations

- Key Club
- Head of School Leadership Institute (HLI)
- Arts & Athletic Leadership Committee
- Disciplinary Committee
- Eagle Ambassadors
- Honor Council
- Prefect Council
- Student Government Association
- Student Leadership Council

## Geographic Distribution



**ENROLLMENT**  
Total: 1,338

- Lower School (PreK-3 – 5) - 291
- Middle School (6 – 8) - 272
- Upper School (9 – Post Graduate) - 775
- Over 75 nationalities represented

## Sports

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Baseball             | Indoor Volleyball (G) |
| Boys' Basketball     | Lacrosse (B)          |
| Boys' Soccer         | Pom Squad             |
| Beach Volleyball (G) | Softball              |
| Cross Country (G/B)  | Swimming              |
| Girls' Basketball    | Tennis                |
| Girls' Soccer        | Track & Field         |
| Golf (G/B)           | Weightlifting (G/B)   |

## Academic, Arts, and Athletic Recognition

**31**

Applause Award winners since 2019

**63**

Superior Ratings at District Solo and Ensemble since 2019

**2x**

GEICO National Championship for Girls' Basketball in 2022 and 2023

**450+**

Boy's Soccer athletes who matriculated onto the collegiate level since 2010

**\$17.4**

Million in Merit Scholarship Awarded to the Class of 2023

**\$3.2**

Million in financial aid awarded in 2023-24

## Intensive Subject Area Concentration (SAC) Programs

Montverde Academy offers a comprehensive study plan and curriculum in four major concentrations in college-preparatory courses over the four years of high school beginning in grade 9 that lead to a specialized diploma in the following areas:

### BIED - Business Innovation and Entrepreneurial Development

For those who plan on entering the business and financial world seeking to become global entrepreneurs, corporate and government leaders, as well as business and societal problem solvers.

**Global Perspectives** - For those who are interested in pursuing careers in Education, Pre-Law, Social and Public Services, Government, and Real Estate.

**Media Arts & Communications** - For students who are passionate about arts and communications and would like to pursue a career in visual arts, graphic design, creative writing, copy writing, journalism, photojournalism, media production, public relations, social media, and more.

### STEM - Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

For careers in STEM fields, there are five different SAC concentration options: Biomedical (Pre-Med, Pre-Vet, and Pre-Dental, and careers in Wellness, Health or Life Science), Chemistry and Physics, Computer Science and Graphics, Engineering, and Environmental Sustainability.

## Dual Enrollment Programs

In partnership with the University of Florida, the University of South Florida, Northwest Florida State College, and Lake-Sumter State College, Montverde Academy offers juniors and seniors the opportunity to enroll in up to two college courses per semester. Students must meet the entrance requirements established by these post-secondary institutions.



## Montverde Academy Student College Acceptances 2019-23

From the southeast at Davidson University, the University of Florida, and Vanderbilt, to the top schools in the nation such as Carnegie Mellon, Emory, and Princeton, to colleges and universities in the midwest including Purdue, Indiana, and regions beyond - Baylor, Cornell, and University of California, there are no limits to the paths our graduates take in their journey to higher learning. Shown below is a partial list of colleges that represent the diverse interests and needs of our student body.

American University	Florida Southern College	Oklahoma State University	University of Central Florida
Amherst College	Florida State University	Palm Beach Atlantic University	University of Chicago
Arizona State University (Main Campus)	Fordham University	Penn State University	University of Cincinnati
Auburn University	Furman University	Pepperdine University	University of Colorado
Babson College	George Mason University	Pratt Institute	University of Connecticut
Bard College	George Washington University	Princeton University	University of Dayton
Barnard College	Georgetown University	Purdue University	University of Denver
Barry University	Georgia Institute of Technology	Queens University of Charlotte	University of Florida
Baylor University	Georgia Southern University	Quinnipiac University	University of Georgia
Bellarmino University	Gettysburg College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Houston
Belmont University	Gonzaga University	Rhodes College	University of Illinois
Berry College	Grinnell College	Rice University	University of Indianapolis
Boston College	Hanover College	Rivier University	University of Kentucky
Boston University	High Point University	Rollins College	University of Louisville
Brandeis University	Hofstra University	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	University of Maryland
Brown University	Howard University	Saint Leo University	University of Miami
Bryn Mawr College	Indiana University	Samford University	University of Michigan
Bucknell University	Ithaca College	Sarah Lawrence College	University of Mississippi
Butler University	Jacksonville University	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Missouri
California State University	James Madison University	Seton Hall University	University of North Carolina
Carnegie Mellon University	Johns Hopkins University	Sewanee: The University of the South	University of North Carolina School of the Arts
Case Western Reserve University	Kenyon College	Southern Methodist University	University of North Florida
Chapman University	Lafayette College	Stetson University	University of Notre Dame
Citadel Military College	Lehigh University	Stevens Institute of Technology	University of Oklahoma
Clark Atlanta University	Lenoir-Rhyne University	Swarthmore College	University of Oregon
Clemson University	Louisiana State University	Syracuse University	University of Pennsylvania
College of Charleston	Loyola Marymount University	Temple University	University of Pittsburgh
Columbia University	Lynn University	Texas A&M University	University of Richmond
Cornell University	Manhattan School of Music	Texas Christian University	University of San Diego
Creighton University	Marshall University	The College of William and Mary	University of South Carolina
Davidson College	McGill University	The Ohio State University	University of South Florida
Denison University	McMaster University	The University of Alabama	University of Southern California
Drexel University	Mercer University	The University of Edinburgh	University of Vermont
Eastman School of Music	Miami University	The University of Tampa	University of Virginia
Elon University	Michigan State University	The University of Tennessee	University of Washington
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Middle Tennessee State University	The University of Texas	University of Wisconsin
Emerson College	Milligan University	The University of West Florida	Vanderbilt University
Emory University	Mississippi State University	Tufts University	Villanova University
Flagler College	Mount Holyoke College	Tulane University	Virginia Commonwealth University
Florida A&M University	New College of Florida	United States Naval Academy	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Florida Atlantic University	New York University	University of Alabama at Birmingham	Wake Forest University
Florida Gulf Coast University	North Carolina State University	University of Arizona	Wofford College
Florida Institute of Technology	Northeastern University	University of Arkansas	Xavier University
Florida International University	Northwestern University	University of California (Berkeley)	Yale University
Florida Polytechnic University	Nova Southeastern University	University of California (Los Angeles)	

