



GUIDE TO VISTA PEAK PREPARATORY



Every student shapes a successful future

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“At Vista PEAK Preparatory, we pride ourselves in providing a **professional standard of care** as a school community in order to increase opportunities for postsecondary success, as well as to improve the overall quality of life beyond Vista PEAK for all students.”

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OUR BELIEF is that education must be real-world and relevant, innovative and connected; where staff and students thrive with choice and responsibility; to cultivate creativity and invention.

OUR VISION is to ensure every student graduates with a high school diploma, college credits and/or degrees, industry credentials and certifications in order to be successful in postsecondary and workforce experiences.



FROM PRESCHOOL TO COLLEGE DEGREE

Our P-20 campus is one of the first preschool through postsecondary educational concepts in the nation. We share our campus with Vista PEAK Exploratory, which serves preschool through eighth-grade students.

In addition to preparing for success in college, Vista PEAK Preparatory students have opportunities to take concurrent enrollment courses at local community colleges and universities. They can earn industry certifications, college credit and even associate degrees while still in high school. Students graduate with specialized skills and credentials needed to enter college or the workforce, in some cases without ever paying tuition.



AN INNOVATION SCHOOL

Our district-level Innovation Status gives us autonomy to create unique structures for our staffing, school calendar and curriculum in order to create the best learning conditions to support our diverse student learners.



HONORS

- **Our students earn millions of dollars in scholarships every year.**
- **More than 20% of our students enroll in college-level courses and earn college credit, which saves our families money on college tuition costs.**
- **Many of our students earn industry credentials by graduation.**

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Vista PEAK Preparatory partners with The Center for Transformative Teaching and Learning in Potomac, MD to help our educators better understand the science of how the brain learns. All staff are trained in **Mind, Brain, and Education Science** to create unique opportunities that empower students to find success within our learning environment through understanding their individual strengths and affinities for learning and how they may best demonstrate proficiency across grade-level standards.

Our **Intensives Program** gives students access to college visits, workforce exploration tours, immersion in career and technical programs and rigorous preparation for the SAT exam.



ACADEMIC AND CAREER PATHWAYS



Business Pathway

This academic pathway provides business expertise, employability skills and academic structure to prepare students for lifelong careers in today's business environment. We consistently have students in DECA and FBLA place at both district and state competitions each year.

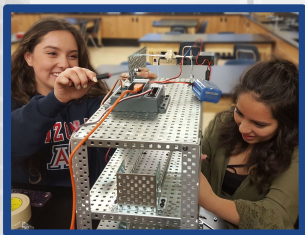
Health Sciences Pathway

The health sciences pathway provides students with the knowledge and skills necessary to pursue challenging and rewarding careers in one of the fastest growing and highest-demand career fields in the country. As the population ages and healthcare needs increase, our students strive to be leaders who direct patient care, research and laboratory facilities.



Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Pathway

In the STEM pathway, courses are linked to a post-secondary engineering program of study. Various career-based experiences such as focused job shadows, team competitions and college-industry site visits are provided to reinforce the connection between school and work.

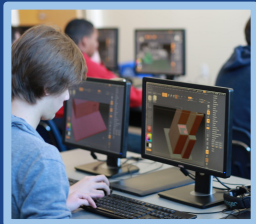


Film and Video Production Pathway

Nothing beats earning real-life experience in an industry! The film and video production pathway prepares students for entry-level positions as a film/video production crew member. It is designed to give students the basic to advanced technical, artistic and academic skills necessary for a strong foundation to pursue careers in film and video production.



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Broadcast Journalism Pathway

The Broadcast Journalism pathway prepares students for careers in designing, producing and exhibiting broadcast journalism content. Students create content for Vista PEAK's weekly news show, **The Bison News**. Students also have the opportunity to work with and create content for PBS as part of the **PBS Student Reporting Labs** program.

Fine Arts Pathway

The Fine Arts Institute at Vista Peak Preparatory offers art students the chance to take specialized courses in a wide range of mediums. Student work is regularly entered in local, state and national shows and competitions. Work from Vista PEAK has earned students recognition from the APS Festival of the Arts, Scholastic Art & Writing Awards and the Denver Art Museum



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College & Career Center

At our new College and Career Center (CCC), we help students explore their post-secondary options, whether that involves college, military or the workforce. Our CCC Advisor specializes in connecting students to helpful resources, assisting with college applications, scholarship essays and more. CCC also hosts employer networking events, college admissions visits and military recruitment fairs.



By visiting the College and Career Center, Vista PEAK students will find step-by-step guidance while preparing and making decisions for their futures.



Athletics and Co-Curriculars

At Vista PEAK, we encourage students to get connected to our school through participation in clubs, organizations and athletic teams. We offer something for everyone including dozens of sports, clubs and organizations. Vista PEAK is proud of its strong athletic programs. In 7 years of participating in varsity athletics, students have won 22 league championships, had 36 state placements in individual sports as well as 2 state champions.

Varsity Athletic Offerings

FALL SPORTS

CROSS COUNTRY • BOYS
SOCCER • COMPETITIVE
CHEER • FOOTBALL
BOYS GOLF • POMS
VOLLEYBALL

WINTER SPORTS

BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL
BOYS & GIRLS WRESTLING
GIRLS SWIMMING CO-OP

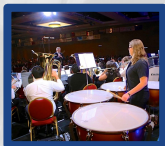
SPRING SPORTS

BASEBALL • GIRLS GOLF
SOCCER • GIRLS TENNIS
TRACK & FIELD
BOYS SWIMMING
CO-OP LACROSSE



Performing Arts

- Performing arts students enjoy regularly competing in local and state-level festivals and competitions, winning top awards and earning weighted credit.
- We have an award-winning All-State Choir.
- Our dance program partners with the Colorado Ballet to provide dance students with master classes and our student dancers travel to CU Boulder to take college-level dance classes.



Vista PEAK Preparatory Alumni...

I'm a U.S. Navy veteran. Vista PEAK prepared me for life after high school by giving me a lot of opportunities, both between having a lot of recruiters here and college reps. This helped me explore what I wanted to do in the future."

- **Ellie, Class of 2016**

"I am currently a student at CCA. What I loved most about Vista PEAK was the ease of being able to find a community."

- **Caleb, Class of 2019**

"I am currently a student at CU Denver and majoring in Business Management. Vista PEAK prepared me for life after high school through the Business Pathway. The pathway allowed me to discover my passion for business and what I wanted to study in college."

- **Jordan, Class of 2019**



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