Woodstock Day School provides a socially and environmentally mindful educational journey from Nursery School through Grade 12. We are committed to valuing every student as an individual and as a member of the community. Situated on an inspiring campus, our school empowers students to confidently embrace life with knowledge, compassion, and perseverance.

Institution

Grades: Nursery School – Grade 12
Founded: 1973
Expanded (Upper School): 2003

Community

Enrollment

Families: 151
Students: 201
Male/Female: 107/94
Counties served*: 4
* Greene, Ulster, Columbia, Dutchess

Teachers

Full-time teachers: 25
Part-time teachers: 6
Adjunct teachers: 2
Teaching assistants: 7

Teacher degrees held

Bachelor’s: 34
Master’s: 29
Doctorates (Head of School): 1

Class ratio

Student-teacher ratio: 7:1
Average class size: 14

Financial Aid

Financial aid families: 44%
Average amount of aid: $5,600
Total financial aid: $373,000
Remission total aid: $299,500
Total aid: $672,500

Academics

Accreditation

New York State Association of Independent Schools (NYSAIS)
New York State Education Department

Affiliations

Ulster County Community College
Bard College Bridge Program
Frost Valley YMCA
Ashokan Center
Catskill Watershed
Family of Woodstock
Catskill Animal Sanctuary
Center for Collaborative Education
Radio Kingston
Maverick Psychotherapy Group

Departments

Civics & Global Studies
English
Foreign Language (Spanish, French)
Fine Arts
History
Learning Lab
Physical Education
Math
Media Arts
Music
Science

Special Programs

African Drum & Dance Residency
Aftercare Program
Afterschool Enrichment Programs
Ceramics
Intensives
LGBTQ+ club
School Garden
Sports Program
Summer Adventure Camp
The Battering Ram Literary Journal*
The Days (WDS Newspaper)
Theater
Upper School, Middle School Councils
Violin

* 2019 Recipient of the Recognizing Excellence in Art and Literary Magazines (REALM) award from the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE)

Campus

Campus acres (total): 50
Wooded acres with trail system: 35
Facilities
Academic buildings: 10
Classrooms*: 22
* Including specialty classrooms

Specialty classrooms

Science Labs (2), Nature Center, Garden, Ceramics Studio, Art Room, Library, Media Center, Music Room

Library*

Volumes on campus: 17,000
Volumes with MHLS**: 2,250,000
Student and Faculty book clubs
Integrated Media Arts project
Guest author program

* 2018 Recipient of the Community Foundations of Hudson Valley’s “Diversity, Cultural Competency and Social Justice Education” grant.
** Mid-Hudson Library System

Budget

Operating Budget: $4,000,000
Full tuition*: $13,000–$18,000
% operating budget from tuition: 78%
* Not including:
  - 3-5 day Nursery ($5,323 – $11,356)
  - 3-5 day Pre-School ($8,436 – $11,248)

Annual Fund

2019 Funds raised: $121,465
Average participation*: 97%
Average donation size*: $200
* by current parents, faculty, staff

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Senior projects
As part of graduation requirements, seniors prepare, write and present a defense of their year-long, self-selected research project. Past projects include the following:

- A Fashion/Photography Retrospective
- Alternative Energy
- Art/Styles of Learning
- Auteur Theory
- Balancing Life
- Bees: Creating Habitats and Raising Awareness
- Charles Manson: Mind of a Sociopath
- Cinema Through the Ages
- Composing Music for Film
- Digital Dilemma
- Dog Therapy and Literacy
- Dreams: A Language of the Human Psyche
- Environmental Stewardship
- Eurovision & Politics
- Fashion as Art
- Film as a Collaborative Art
- Going to Mars
- History of Apples: An Archetype
- History of WDS
- How Language and Culture Affect Thoughts and Emotions
- How to Publish a Graphic Novel
- Hydroponics in School
- Journey of Learning
- Stop-Action Animation
- Knitting for Charity
- Learning to Live my Truth: Being Gay is OK
- Mentalism
- Modern Vaudeville
- Genghis Khan
- Multi-Media Event through Online Communities
- Music Education for the Digital Age
- Music Sampling and its History
- Music Therapy
- Mythical Creatures and Storytelling
- Nature vs. Nurture
- Phenomenal Women
- Photography
- Racial Identities
- Raising Money for Nepal
- Religious Beliefs and Life
- Researching Autism and Living with It
- Royal Robertson
- Standardized Testing
- Student Activism
- Sustaining Sustainability Through Native Plants
- Sweat Lodges
- The Potential of Baking with Chemistry
- Traveling Pictures through Art
- World Governments
- Writing for Right Now

College acceptances

- Agnes Scott College
- Alfred University
- Allegheny College
- American University
- American University in Paris
- Amherst College
- Averett University
- Bard College
- Barnard College
- Bennington College
- Berklee College of Music
- Boston College
- Brandeis University
- Brown University
- Bryn Mawr College
- California Institute of the Arts
- Carleton College
- Cazenovia College
- Clark University
- College of Saint Rose
- College of the Atlantic
- Columbia College
- Connecticut College
- Culinary Institute of America, at Greystone
- City University of New York (CUNY) at:
- Brooklyn College, City College, Hunter College
- Drew University
- Eckerd Emory-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Eckert College
- Emerson College
- Emory University
- Eugene Lang College
- Fairmont State University
- Fashion Institute of Technology
- George Washington University
- Goucher College
- Green Mountain College
- Hampden College
- Harvard School of Music
- Dartmouth College
- Hofstra University
- Hollins University
- Ichabod College
- John Jay College
- Johnson & Wales University
- Kansas State University
- Kent State University
- Kenyon College
- Keuka College
- La Salle University
- Lehigh University
- Long Island University Post
- Macalester College
- Marlboro College
- Massachusetts School of Art
- Middlebury College
- Mount Holyoke College
- Naropa University
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- New York University
- Northwestern University
- NYU Clive Davis Institute
- Oberlin College
- Pace University
- Parsons School of Design
- Pratt Institute
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Robert Wesleyan College
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- San Francisco State University
- Sarah Lawrence College
- School of the Atlantic
- School of the Museum of Fine Arts
- School of Visual Arts
- Sheridan College
- Simmons College
- Skidmore College
- Smith College
- Southern New Hampshire University
- State University of New York (SUNY) at:
- Albany, Binghamton, Buffalo, Cobleskill,
- Dutchess, Farmingdale, Geneva, New Paltz,
- Plattsburgh, Potsdam, Purchase,
- Stony Brook, Ulster
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- The New School
- The New School, Eugene Lang
- Trinity College
- Union College
- University of Bridgeport
- University of Colorado at Boulder
- University of Delaware
- University of Hartford
- University of Hawaii
- University of Iowa
- University of New Hampshire
- University of New Haven
- University of Rhode Island
- University of Vermont
- Virginia Tech
- Warren Wilson College
- Wesleyan University
- Wheaton College
- Wheelock College
- . . . and more.

Additional Information

Sports
Soccer, Basketball, Lacrosse, Ultimate Frisbee

Sports competition schools
- Kildonan
- Oakwood Friends
- Poughkeepsie Day School
- NYMA
- Dutchess Day School
- High Meadow
- Rondout (club lacrosse)
- Army Elementary School
- Dutchess Home School
- Hudson Valley Rocks Home School
- Darrow
- Berkshire Waldorf Academy
- Soundview Preparatory School
- Marlwood School
- Upton Lake School
- Varvaran School
- Hossack School
- Good Shepherd
- Faith Christian Academy
- Woodhall
- Rumsey School
- Hotchkiss
- Storm King Academy
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