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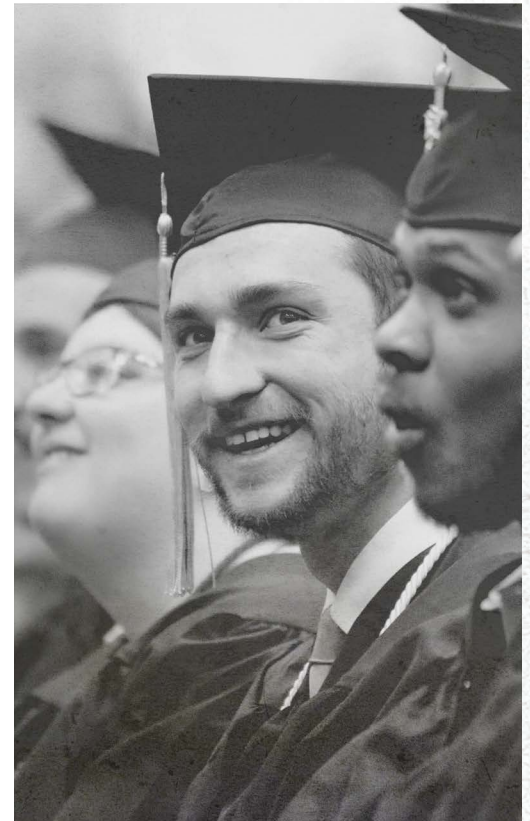


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EDUCATION

WITH OVER 16,000 STUDENTS, BILLINGS HAS THE LARGEST PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM IN YELLOWSTONE COUNTY AND MONTANA.

- Billings has three high schools and a career center. Billings is also home to Billings Central Catholic High School, a highly-ranked, non-public high school.
- There are plenty of options for education within the city limits of Billings. Billings boast two four-year colleges, a City College, and a Christian College. Along with our colleges, Billings has a strong adult education system and a career center conveniently located in the center of town. With these educational resources, it is no surprise that **Billings is a highly educated city.**
- Yellowstone County is **outperforming the nation** in educational attainment levels. The educational attainment profile of the County's residents show **a well-educated population**, with a high percentage (62.5%) of residents with 12-15 years of post-secondary education (including associates degrees), and a high percentage (23.3%) of residents with a Bachelor's degree. The percentage of residents with a Bachelor's degree exceeds both the state and national averages.



EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT AGE 25-64

	MONTANA	BILLINGS, MT	USA
No High School Diploma	5.70% (30,476)	4.90% (4,525)	10.90% (18,550,150)
High School Graduate	27.70% (147,710)	29.70% (27,504)	25.70% (43,627,868)
Some College, No Degree	23.50% (125,084)	22.70% (20,994)	20.70% (35,174,790)
Associate's Degree	10.30% (54,937)	10.10% (9,389)	9.10% (15,526,064)
Bachelor's Degree	22.60% (120,528)	23.30% (21,555)	21.20% (35,997,848)
Postgraduate Degree.....	10.10% (53,849)	9.30% (8,571)	12.30% (20,961,560)

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EDUCATION - ELEMENTARY & HIGH SCHOOLS



BILLINGS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

In partnership with our community, the mission of Billings Public schools is to educate individuals of all ages to become caring, competent, and contributing members of the community and world.

- The public school system in Billings is comprised of 22 elementary schools, 4 middle schools, and 3 high schools that include 2 brand new middle schools and a career center.
- In 2015, the graduation rate for School District 2 was 82%.
- Billings' high school students ACT college entrance exam scores exceeded the national and state averages.

FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING BPS VISIT:
WWW.BILLINGS.K12.MT.US



BILLINGS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The mission of the Billings Catholic Schools is to provide a quality Catholic education that emphasizes formation in faith, spirit, academic excellence and service, justice and peace.

- Billings Catholic schools, which includes St. Francis Elementary Schools and Billings Central Catholic High School, operates under the direction of the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings. Billings Catholic schools are supported in part by the seven Catholic parishes in the city.

• The Billings Catholic school system has a reputation of providing excellent academic educations. On average, elementary students test above grade level on the national basic skills tests, and nearly all of St. Francis students (98%) remain in the Billings Catholic schools following eighth grade by enrolling at Central Catholic High School.

• Central Catholic High school has a graduation rate of almost 100 percent, with more than ninety percent of Central graduates enrolled in a college or university. College entrance exams are completed by a high percentage of Central students (90 % take the ACT test, more than 75% take the SAT); scores are consistently above national and state averages.

• Billings Catholic Schools was rated in the top 50 Catholic schools in the nation.

FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING BCS, VISIT:
WWW.BILLINGSCATHOLICSCHOOLS.ORG



EDUCATION SPENDING

	YELLOWSTONE CTY	MONTANA	USA
School Expenditure.....	\$10,600.....	\$11,561	\$12,624
Pupil/Teacher Ratio.....	15.8	14.1	15.5



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EDUCATION - COLLEGES



MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY BILLINGS

Founded in 1927—Montana State University Billings offers associate's, Bachelor's and Master's degrees for careers through the University's five colleges: arts and sciences; business; allied health professions; education and human services; and City College (the community college).

- Student to faculty ratio—19:1
- U.S. News and World Report Ranked Montana State University Billings as one of the nation's best colleges for 2016 throughout undergraduate and master's level academics.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON MSUB VISIT:
MSUBILLINGS.EDU.



MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY BILLINGS COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

Founded in 1969—The Billings Vocational-Technical education Center (BVTC) was created to serve the post-secondary technical training needs of adults.

The training programs offered at City College are continually upgraded to meet the changing dynamics of business and industry. BVTC partnered with Red Rocks Community College in Denver, Colorado as the US Department of Labor OSHA training provider for all of Montana.

The City College provides individuals with training (or re-training) to obtain excellent "in demand" positions available at many area employers.

The degrees offered at City College include: accounting, technology, administrative assistant, business administration, human resources, radiologic technology, medical coding and insurance billing, medical administrative assistant, fire science, criminal justice, auto collision repair and refinishing, sustainable energy technician, welding and metal fabrication, construction technology, carpentry (self-designed), general studies, and networking technology.

Students from City College are able to earn a Certificate, associate of applied science degree, associate of science degree, or associate of arts degree.

FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING MSU BILLINGS
COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY VISIT:
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ROCKY MOUNTAIN
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Rocky Mountain College is a private liberal arts college and the oldest college in Montana.

- Students are never taught by teaching assistants -but by professors who are leaders in their fields
- Seventy-five percent of the professors at Rocky Mountain College hold a doctorate or terminal degree.
- With a faculty ratio of 12:1, Rocky Mountain College students receive one-on-on attention and interaction with their professors.

Rocky Mountain College offers an array of undergraduate and graduate degrees. The undergraduate degrees include: accountancy; aeronautical science; aviation; art; biology; business management; chemistry; communication; computer science; creative writing; environmental science; equestrian; geology; history; music; political science; psychology; theater; education, mathematics, philosophy, sociology and health professions. The graduate degrees include: Accounting; educational leadership; and physician assistant.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGE VISIT:
WWW.ROCKY.EDU.



YELLOWSTONE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Founded in 1974—Yellowstone Christian College is an undergraduate theological college

The Bachelor of Arts in Christian leadership provides basic preparation for leadership ministry in a local church, Christian organization, or further study. Students are required to complete a specified number of hours in the areas of General education, Foundational Christian studies, and Professional studies. Each student pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Christian leadership, will choose a minor from the following degrees: pastoral ministry; youth ministries; missions; or biblical languages.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT YELLOWSTONE BAPTIST COLLEGE VISIT:
WWW.YELLOWSTONECHRISTIAN.EDU

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DEGREE	LEVEL	DEGREE	LEVEL
Applied Science *Online.....	B	3+2 BS Health & Human Performance/MS Athletic Training	B
Art	B-M	Health and Physical Education (K-12)	B
Art - Fine Arts	B	History	B - M
Art (K-12).....	B	History Education.....	B - TM
Biology - BA, BS	B	Honors - Interdisciplinary.....	M
- Biology Medical Laboratory Science.....	BO	Human Services	B
Broadfield Science	B	Information Systems.....	M
Broadfield Science Education	B	Liberal Studies Online.....	B
Business Administration	B - M	Math Education	B - TM
- Accounting Online	BO - M	Music Performance.....	B
- Finance.....	BO - M	Music Education (K-12).....	B
- General Business Online	BO	Native American Studies.....	M
- Management Online	BO	Outdoor Adventure Leadership	B
- Marketing Online	BO - M	Political Science	B - M
Chemistry.....	B-M	Political Science Education	TM
Coaching.....	M	Psychology - BA, BS	B - M
Communication Arts (major in one of these options) ...	B	Pre-Physical Therapy	
- Media Studies Online Online	BO-M	Public Relations Online.....	B
- Organizational Communication Online	BO	*Pre-Nursing (preparation for transfer)	
Criminal Justice	B - M	Psychiatric Rehabilitation.....	B
Early Childhood Studies.....	TM	Reading (K-12) Minor	TM
Elementary Education (Broadfield)	B	RN to BSN Completion *Online Only	B
English.....	B - M	Sociology	B - M
English Education.....	B	Spanish Minor.....	M
Environmental Studies.....	B	Special Education Double Major Only	B
General Studies Online.....	A	Women's Studies.....	M
Health Administration *Online Only.....	B		
Health & Human Performance.....	B		
- Health & Wellness.....	BO		
- Human Performance	BO		

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE TYPES

Bachelor's Degree Major.....	B	Associate Degree.....	A
Bachelor's Degree Option	BO	Minor.....	M
Teaching Minor.....	TM	Certificate	C

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Art	B	Music	B
Aviation.....	B	Organizational Leadership	B
Biology	B	Philosophy and Religion.....	B
Business and Accounting.....	B	Physics (minor)	
Chemistry.....	B	Political Science	B
Communication Studies.....	B	Pre-law (minor)	
Computer Science	B	Psychology	B
Education.....	B	Reading (minor)	
English	B	Sociology	B
Environmental Management.....	B	Theatre Arts	B
Environmental Studies.....	B	Doctor of Medical Science	Graduate studies
Equestrian Studies	B	Doctor of Occupational Therapy.....	Graduate studies
Geography	B	Master of Accountancy.....	Graduate studies
Geology	B	Master of Educational Leadership	Graduate studies
Health and Human Performance.....	B	Master of Physician Assistant Studies	Graduate studies
History	B		
Mathematics	B		

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Accounting TechnologyOnline	A	General StudiesOnline.....	A
Automobile Collision Repair Technology.....	C	Human ResourcesOnline.....	A - C
Automobile Refinishing Technology	C	Instrument and Electrical Technician.....	A
Automobile Collision Repair and Refinishing Tech.....	A	Medical Coding and Insurance Billing Online.....	C
Automotive Technology.....	A- C	Paramedic.....	A
Business AdministrationOnline.....	A	Practical Nursing * Online Only.....	C
Computer Programming & Application Development.	A	*Pre-Dental Hygiene (preparation for transfer) *	A
Computer Systems Technology.....	A	Process Plant Technology	A
Construction Management	A	Radiologic Technology.....	A
Construction Technology.....	C	Registered Nurse.....	A
Cyber Security/Network Support	A	Surgical Technology (partnership with MSU Great Falls).....	A
Criminal Justice	A	Ultrasound Technology Online	C
Diesel Technology.....	A - C	Welding/Metal Fabrication Technology.....	A - C
Fire Science	A		
General Applied BusinessOnline	A		

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