



Kids Korner—Academy

As the ski season comes to a close, athletes across the country are considering what's next in their ski careers. Here are some of their options... out west.

Loveland

Based in Colorado, Loveland offers private training in a team environment with easy access to snow just off the main highway. The training slope is so solid and the access is so convenient, that it continues to be one of Mikaela Shiffrin's go-to training spots when she's home. Off the slopes, athletes have the flexibility to choose the schooling option that works best for them from homeschooling to local public schools. This makes the program supremely flexible and customizable.

GroundSwell Athletics

GroundSwell Athletics combines alpine ski racing with a scenario-based educational platform, focused on organizational and personal development. They help high school and college graduates gain real-world skills to put on their resume and prepare them for life after ski racing. Whether an athlete is pursuing the national ski team or they are a current college student, who wants to combine high-level summer training options with hands-on experience growing a company, GroundSwell Athletics provides unique opportunities for growth.



Rowmark Ski Academy

Rowmark Academy, part of Rowland Hall, is a full-time academy for 9th grade through post-graduate, and also offers a complete junior program from 3rd through 8th grade. Their focus is on the complete student-athlete: academics, athletics, technique, tactics, physical conditioning, sports psychology, teamwork and citizenship.

Sun Valley Ski Academy

The Sun Valley Ski Academy at the Community School gives athletes access to an incredible mountain and a solid education. The Community School provides an unmatched level of support with a dedicated academic coordinator, who travels with student-athletes throughout the training and competition season. There is online support that allows students to be 'in class' even when they are on the road, and a full complement of summer term courses that allow winter athletes to lighten their load when they are their busiest.

Squaw Valley Academy

The site of the 1960 Olympic Winter Games has produced numerous

Olympians and Squaw Valley Academy (SVA) is a part of that rich history. SVA offers strong preparation for college as its central focus and it maintains a 100 percent college acceptance rate, because students work individually with a college counselor to find schools that best meet their needs. This academy combines academic success with national team dreams.

Sugar Bowl Academy

Not only does Sugar Bowl Academy offer rigorous academic curriculum, but their new facilities have over 10,000 square feet of professional academic space, an 8,000 square foot dormitory, a world-class Performance Training Center and easy access to the Van Ruiten Race Arena, an area designated exclusively for SBSTA athlete. It's the ultimate ski-in, ski-out academy experience.

Vail Academy

Vail Ski & Snowboard Academy (VSSA) is the first public ski and snowboard academy in the country. VSSA is a college preparatory school that challenges students with a rigorous academic curriculum in parallel with supporting an elite training and competition schedule. VSSA students develop a level of independent learning, maturity, confidence and leadership qualities — life skills that distinguish their athletes. ■

