



# A Passion for Educational Excellence

#### **Connect to Mount Vernon**

Population in 2012: 32,250

Population change since 2000: +21.2%

Males: 15,802 (49.0%) Females: 16,448 (51.0%)

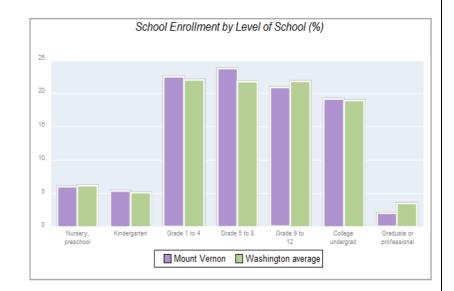
Median resident age: 32.3 years Washington median age: 46.6 years

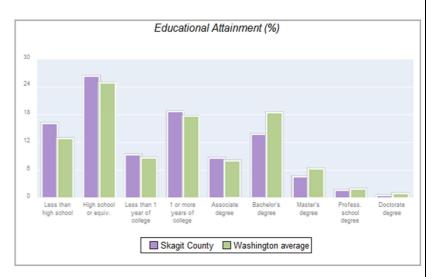
# For population 25 years and over in Mount Vernon:

High school grad or higher: 84% Bachelor's degree or higher: 21% Graduate or professional degree: 6.5%

#### Did you know about our schools:

- ➤ The 324 graduates from Mount Vernon High School in 2012 garnered over \$4.3 million in scholarships.
- 33 public and private post-secondary institutions received 2012 graduates including Harvard, Stanford, Embry-Riddle, all Washington State Universities, Boise State, Oregon State, and Lewis & Clark.
- ➤ More than 90% of Mount Vernon graduates are enrolled in post-secondary education. The state average is 83%.
- There has been a 200% increase in number of students taking Advanced Placement courses over the past five years.

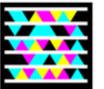




### A Passion for Education Today & Tomorrow

- Advanced Classes: Mount Vernon High School offers advanced high school classes in foreign languages, English, Art, Career and Technical Education and other subjects. Advanced Placement Classes are offered in Math, History, Science and English. Mount Vernon also has an Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program for disadvantaged students wanting to attend college.
- ➤ The Northwest Career & Technical Academy: The Academy is an extension of Mount Vernon High School. Programs include Academy of Finance, Culinary Arts, Dental Technology, DigiPen Computer Science AP, DigiPen Sustainable Technology Design, Marine Technology, Medical Technology, and Veterinary Technology.
- ➤ Top 20 College: Washington Monthly ranked Skagit Valley College in Mount Vernon as one of the Top 20 Community Colleges in the United Sates in 2010.
- College Programs: Skagit Valley College offers two-year degrees that will transfer to most Washington state 4-year colleges and universities. It also offer transfer majors in Music, Visual Arts, Science, Environmental Conservation, Business, Communications and more. Students can also choose from 25 Professional Technical Options in fields such as Nursing, Automotive Technology, Culinary Arts, Business Management, Criminal Justice, Allied Health and more.
- ➤ Teaching Hospital: Skagit Regional Health in Mount Vernon is a teaching hospital and offers third and fourth year medical school student training, as well as a residency program for new physicians.
- ➤ The Mayo Clinic: The Clinic is developing a partnership with Skagit Regional Health, Mount Vernon School District, Skagit Valley College and the City of Mount Vernon.
- ➤ A Wired Community: Mount Vernon is completely connected, as the City has built a Fiber Infrastructure as the foundation for business and community growth.





## Connect to a great life.

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