

# GROVE CITY COLLEGE

## NEWS RELEASE

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## **U.S. News ranks Grove City College at No. 2**

GROVE CITY, Pa. – U.S. News & World Report has ranked Grove City College second for “Best Value” and fifth in its “America’s Best Colleges” guide among northern liberal arts colleges.

The “Best Value” ranking takes into account Grove City’s total annual cost of \$9,331 after students receive grants based on need. The No. 5 “America’s Best Colleges” spot is a jump from last year’s No. 8 ranking.

The Top 50 “America’s Best Colleges” listing, which seeks to measure academic excellence, is a compilation of 16 separate rankings that were averaged for an overall score. Of those 16 categories, Grove City College was ranked No. 1 in six of them and No. 2 in two. The College’s overall score was 91 out of 100.

No. 1	Freshman Retention Rate	90%
No. 1	Full-Time Faculty	90%
No. 1	Selectivity	#1
No. 1	SAT 25 <sup>th</sup> -75 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	1160-1370
No. 1	Students in Top 25% of high school class	88%
No. 1	Acceptance Rate	44%
No. 2	Graduation Rank	#1
No. 2	1999 Average Graduation Rate	76%

“We are very pleased to be recognized again as one of the nation’s best values in higher education,” College President Dr. John H. Moore said. “It is especially gratifying that our fine academic quality has moved us even higher in the rankings than before. Of course, rankings do not capture all or even the most important elements that make Grove City College what it is, but the recognition is most welcome.”

The “Best Value” ranking is based on three variables: ratio of quality to price, percentage of all undergraduates receiving grant and average discount. The “America’s Best Colleges” rankings, largely academic in nature, took into account the 16 categories. Both rankings split educational institutions into subgroups and regions.

Says U.S. News & World Report, “Certainly, the college experience consists of a host of intangibles that cannot be reduced to mere numbers. But we believe that it is possible to objectively compare schools on one key attribute: academic excellence.”

The U.S. News & World Report rankings will be published in the Sept. 11 issue of the magazine. All results are available for viewing now at [www.usnews.com](http://www.usnews.com).

Grove City College was also named to the Top 10 Hidden Treasures list in the 2001 Kaplan National High School Guidance Counselor Survey last month.

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*Grove City College was founded in 1876 and is located 60 miles north of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. With an enrollment of 2,300 students, it is a private Christian college teaching the liberal arts, sciences and engineering. Grove City is an advocate of the free market economic system and accepts no federal funding. Its tuition is less than half of the national average for private colleges.*

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