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## Grove City College ranked No. 1 Best Value by U.S. News; fourth overall in region

GROVE CITY, Pa. - U.S. News & World Report has ranked Grove City College the No. 1 “Best Value” in its category for the 2003 guide.

Grove City was also ranked No. 4 overall in “America’s Best Colleges” among northern comprehensive colleges.

The spot is a one-spot jump from the 2002 and 2001 listings, which placed Grove City College at No. 5.

The “America’s Best Colleges” rankings, largely academic in nature, take into account 16 areas of comparison. Grove City College was in the No. 1 spot in three of those categories: average freshman retention rate, 92 percent; average SAT in the 25th to 75th percentile, 1160-1370; and freshmen in the top 25 percent of their class, 88 percent.

The newsstand book, “America’s Best Colleges,” will go on sale on Sept. 16. Many rankings will be published in the Sept. 23 issue of U.S. News & World Report, also set to go on sale Sept. 16. Some results are available for viewing now at [www.usnews.com](http://www.usnews.com).

Each fall, U.S. News also ranks universities, master’s universities, business programs, undergraduate engineering programs, debt load and campus diversity.

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Grove City College has been listed as one of the 50 most competitive colleges in the nation. In its category, Grove City College is also ranked by U.S. News & World Report as No. 1 Best Value and No. 4 overall in the 2003 guide to America’s Best Colleges. Grove City College has also been called a “best value” and a “hidden treasure” by guidance counselors in the Kaplan National High School Guidance Counselor Survey. Founded in 1876, it is located 60 miles north of Pittsburgh, Pa. With an enrollment of 2,300 students, it is a private Christian college teaching the liberal arts, sciences and engineering. It is an advocate of the free market economic system and accepts no federal funding. Tuition is about half of the national average for private colleges.