### Definitively Putney.



The Putney School





Putney has stood at the vanguard of progressive education since our founding. Our campus has evolved into an adaptable, self-sustaining ecosystem. We have a long history of setting students up for their own success, through a process that's time tested. Our way of working, learning, and growing can't be found anywhere else.





### Intellectually Putney.

### Adventurously Putney.

# Creatively Putney.

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### Every acre is filled

### with ambition and opportunity.

Situated in picturesque Southeastern Vermont, Putney is surrounded by nature. You'll hear the wind whistle through the trees. You'll watch the landscape change each season. You'll have moments of reflection and clarity. You'll have the room to explore and the resources to think critically. And you'll learn to take responsibility for this place and the people around you.

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#### **ELM LEA FARM**

Putney is located on Elm Lea Farm, a 600-acre hilltop where we live, work, and learn. Each trimester, over 40 students help care for our dairy cows and other livestock.







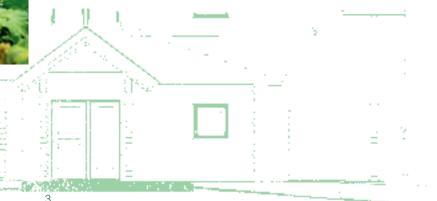
#### LIFE AT PUTNEY

Our vibrant campus community is always moving. Whether you're exploring our trails, practicing music in the Currier Center, making jewelry in Wender, or rock climbing at the Field House, you'll feel at home wherever you are on campus.



#### WHERE YOU'LL LIVE

As a coeducational boarding school, Putney offers you the opportunity to live where you learn—in one of nine different dorms, including two new dorms sustainably designed to be carbon-neutral—or you can venture out into one of our student-built cabins in the woods.



### A campus that lives and breathes.

Learning at Putney is designed to be project- and experience-based. Here, you are empowered to find who you are and who you want to be. To explore exactly what interests you. To do right by yourself and the world around you. Everything you do here is an opportunity to learn and grow. YOU'LL GROW PERSONALLY AND ACADEMICALLY.

#### YOU'LL BE CAPABLE, EQUIPPED, AND COMMITTED.

#### YOU'LL EMBRACE CURIOSITY.

#### YOU'LL FEEL SAFE TAKING RISKS.



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Supported, challenged, and incharge ofyour education.

At Putney, you're surrounded by brilliant individuals who want to see you succeed. You're celebrated for your uniqueness. You're respected as a learner, as a young adult, and as a member of our community.

#### **THE RESULT IS A DYNAMIC PLACE FULL OF DYNAMIC** PEOPLE.



Your teachers will be your mentors, advisors, and biggest supporters. You'll learn from them and work with them, and they'll fully celebrate what makes you, you.

### Your community.

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You'll contribute to our community, collaborating and creating with other students who share your ambition and expand your compassion. You'll become more aware of the world, and your place in it.

235 **STUDENTS** 180 BOARDING STUDENTS 20% INTERNATIONAL **STUDENTS** 25% **STUDENTS OF COLOR** 

## Students lead the way.

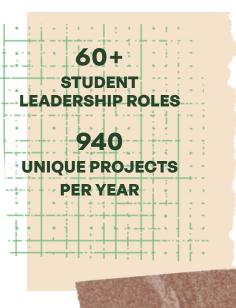
We believe our students are capable and trustworthy. Our curriculum calls on you to step up as learners, as leaders, and as active and contributing members of our community. Growing by working. Preparing by leading. And finding meaning in each moment.



#### **STUDENT LEADERSHIP**

You'll practice leadership by actually leading in one of more than 60 opportunities offered at Putney. Whether you're running work crews, mentoring younger students, or steering committees, you'll have a voice and an impact on our campus.





#### **FARM PROGRAM**

Milk cows. Birth calves. Raise pigs and chickens. Get closer to the diverse Vermont ecosystem through Putney's Farm program. Join over 40 students every trimester who take charge of caring for livestock, producing crops, gardening, sugaring, and collecting firewood.

#### **PROJECT WEEK**

During Project Week, you'll dive deep into something you're passionate about, in an academic setting. This independent study brings together all the skills and tools you've acquired and focuses them on one goal. Whatever you find interesting, you can pursue it completely at Putney.





#### **WORK PROGRAM**

Our work program has been a unique part of Putney since the beginning. Every student contributes to our community through work, which instills responsibility, stewardship, resilience, and teamwork. You'll work hard, and you'll have fun doing it.



Keep your hair back and the sun out of your face

### Packed for Putney.

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Make memories with friends for life



Explore different and worldviews

A day at Putney looks different for everyone. Building a telescope? Finishing a sculpture? It's best to be prepared for anything here. Here's what we're carrying.

> Create something worth

keeping

Carry your 3D-printed

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Reflect, stay

focused, or have fun

Write down your questions and leave space for the answers

Harvest plants in our garden

or care for our farm



### **R**eady for the world.

#### **THIS IS EDUCATION** WITHOUT COMPROMISE.

Dynamic. Intentional. Challenging. Fulfilling. Our curriculum is a call to action. Learning isn't limited to the classroom: it's in everything we do. And you are at its center. You might be conducting research that takes you into the forest. You could be restoring a truck from the early 1900s to its former glory. Putney is a place that adapts around you, expands your opportunities, and educates you fully.

Conventional educationis not enough. For you, for us, or for the world.









#### **INDEPENDENT AND READY.**

Putney prepares you for a world without instructions and road maps. It's why we exist. We go beyond tests and college prep; we inspire a lifelong love of learning in every student. Here, you'll ask your own questions and find your own answers. You'll design and execute your own projects based on what you're passionate about. You'll take everything you learn and apply it to real work. And in the process, you'll grow into your own as a person.





#### **OUR COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY**

Sustainability is integral to the existence of our campus. We know the importance of taking care of the planet. Our new facilities are being built for net-zero emissions. We grow our own vegetables and breed our own livestock. In fact, 20 percent of the food we eat comes from our own work.

## Putneyis your home your laboratory, and your launchpad.

You will pursue your passions as you prepare for the real world. Sitting in the middle of inquiry, thinking critically, and finding new solutions, you'll become an adaptable problemsolver with diverse interests and a wide skill set.

#### **OUR RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES**

You'll get a taste of college by conducting research alongside your peers and teachers, in the lab and in the field. Our surroundings offer the perfect living laboratory for being curious and compassionate about the world.











Gentaro Yokoyama began his ceramics journey at Putney



## Innovation

The arts are part of everyday life at Putney, no matter what you study. We believe that embracing your creative impulses and expressing yourself are key parts of a balanced education. That's why they're built into everything we do. Students apply their creativity in new and innovative ways throughout their work. Putney was made for creating and making.









Combining art and design to create new prosthetic limbs

# creativity.





on the loom



Kai Crowley's exploration in making crystal jewelry

OUR **CAMPUS IS** EQUIPPED FOR ALMOST ANYTHING.

AFRO-MODERN DANCE BLACKSMITHING **BOOK ARTS** CERAMICS ELECTRONIC MUSIC COMPOSITION FIBER ARTS **FIGURE DRAWING** JEWELRY MADRIGALS **PHOTOGRAPHY** THEATER WOODWORKING





In drawing class, students create self-portraits using charcoal



#### **EVENING ARTS**

Twice a week, you have access to 20 different art-based classes. Discover a new passion, try something you've always wanted to, dive deeper into a creative endeavor, or just express yourself artistically.

### Active mentally. Active physically.

#### We believe students learn better when they have a healthier lifestyle. So here, every student stays active — mind and body. Through the Afternoon Activities Program, we offer a wide variety of competitive sports, and recreational sports like pond hockey, horseback riding, fencing, and dance.

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#### **ATHLETICS**

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Join a competitive team that plays in the River Valley Athletic League, or play casually with your friends. Either way, sports at Putney are all about teamwork and pushing yourself. No tryouts, no cuts. Everyone is welcome.



#### **TRAIL SYSTEM**

Our wooded campus is home to 40 kilometers of groomed trails. Try your hand at maple sugaring, or just connect with nature on a walk.



#### **EQUESTRIAN CENTER**

Have you ever wanted to try horseback riding? Take part in our Horse Program at the Farm and Stable, where you can learn to care for, tack up, and ride horses.

#### **COMPETITIVE SPORTS**

Basketball (Open & Girls) Cross-Country Running (Coed) Cross-Country Skiing (Coed) Lacrosse (Open & Girls) Rowing (Coed) Soccer (Open & Girls) Ultimate Frisbee Volleyball

#### **OUTDOOR PROGRAM**

Explore the outdoors through our Outdoor Program. Try hiking, mountain biking, cross-country skiing, or rock climbing.





Enjoy the outdoors during a Vermont winter and try recreational or competitive cross-country or alpine skiing with your peers.

#### **FIELD HOUSE**

At the Field House the first LEED Platinumcertified school building in the country — you have full access to the open court, weight room, and yoga room.

### Adaptable, empowered, and prepared.

Our campus is open and interactive, and connections between students and teachers are constant and strong. Putney faculty also take on mentoring roles as coaches, dorm heads, and activity sponsors, so you have advocates at every step.

#### CENTER FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING

We know that our students each have different learning styles. What they all have in common is the Center for Teaching and Learning: a resource you can use to make the most of your time at Putney. Gain study skills, get specific tutoring, or schedule a one-on-one consultation.

#### **COLLEGE PREP**

Our team of college counselors gets to know each student personally, so that they can help you find a college that matches you perfectly, and assist you in navigating the admissions process. College counseling begins in 11th grade, and your relationship with your academic advisor begins on your first day.

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We grow plants to use



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"I'm in astronomy, and I see it as a tool for environmentalism. But I've learned it's also a tool for community. I have a friend who can't walk to the observatory, so I started repairing a telescope, and was able to put it right on the hill in the center of campus. That was the first time my friend ever saw Jupiter and Saturn through a telescope."



"As someone who's gone to many different schools, I understand what makes this one so unique. You can literally do cheesemaking. Yesterday there was wizardry in the library. Last year I was on the volleyball team. I tried ballet for the first time in my life. I was terrible at it, but the ballet teacher was my dorm head, so we already had a relationship, and it was really fun. Be open. Try everything you can possibly do."

We grow

Whether it's our three-acre garden with two greenhouses, or the personal breakthroughs that happen here every day, Putney was built for growth.

Aplace

ofconstant

growth.

We grow as creative problem-solvers



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#### ASH

"I'm the student head of school. I'm trying to make student leadership more understood and accessible, especially for newer students. During assemblies, we're having leadership groups give introductions so the school knows what each position does, and can feel more connected because there's so much happening."

#### AUGUSTA

"Fiber arts has become my passion. It's something that without Putney I never would have done. I've also fallen in love with math in my pre-calculus class. As someone who's good at math, the curriculum here pushes me to deepen my understanding."

> We grow our skills and our understanding

Find your place in the world by experiencing it.

At Putney, you'll become more aware of different cultures and appreciate what makes each person unique. You'll understand your impact on your surroundings by seeing it for yourself. You'll gain a global perspective by studying the world, exploring it, and learning with people from all over.

#### DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

Putney is a place where diversity, belonging, and community are paramount to our success. Here, our differences make us stronger. We give a voice to all students, from all backgrounds, promoting open and responsive dialogue as we support each individual path.



#### **OFF CAMPUS**

Want to venture further out? Donate your time to the local community through service, join our cross-country skiers on a trip to Mount Snow, or take a trimester abroad in England.



#### **ON CAMPUS**

If you're an international student, you'll find support from the student-led group International Ambassadors, which is dedicated to supporting new Putneyites from different cultures.

### WELCOME, NTERNATIONAL STUDENTSI







## Putney now, and for life.







Our graduates are currently making an impact all over the world. United by this place and the values instilled here, our alumni stay connected to each other and to campus long after they leave.



#### A GLOBAL NETWORK.

New and old, our alumni continue to prove why Putney works: Learning the value of hard work. Understanding the importance of our environment. Finding what makes you happy. Making friends for life. In all this and more, you'll personally see the results of a progressive education.

#### NATALIE AND PERRI

During their time at Putney, Natalie Silver '12 and Perri Meeks '12 bonded over shared experiences, cementing their lifelong friendship as they pursued their individual careers. Perri spent several years in graduate admissions and college counseling before running an educational nonprofit in New York City. Natalie has spent her post-graduate career in politics and organizing. Since their time in school, they've stayed close—empowering and supporting each other at every turn.

#### DARIUS

Darius Marder '92 has embraced failure his entire career. He says it's something he learned at Putney, and it's the secret to his success in filmmaking. He knows the difficulties of the industry he chose. His desire to connect with people through something greater than himself has led to films such as the acclaimed *Sound of Metal*, which earned him an Oscar. The proof is in this place, our process, and the results.

### Adventurously Putney.

You're the architect of your success at Putney. We invite you to define what success looks like, and offer you support at every step on your way there. You'll be prepared for college, and everything after. The way we work works.

> The proof is everywhere.

Over the last five years, Putney students have gone on to earn degrees from more than 250 colleges and universities.

American University Amherst College Babson College **Bard College Barnard** College **Bates College** Berklee College of Music Boise State University **Boston College Boston University Brown University** Carnegie Mellon University **Chapman University** College of the Atlantic **Columbia University** Concordia University **Connecticut** College **Cornell University** Dartmouth College Denison University **Drexel University** Earlham College Emerson College **Emory University** George Washington University Georgetown University **Grinnell** College Hampshire College Howard University Ithaca College Johns Hopkins University Kenyon College Maryland Institute College of Art Massachusetts College of Art and Design New England Conservatory of Music The New School New York University Northeastern University **Oberlin Conservatory of Music** Occidental College Parsons School of Design Pratt Institute Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Rhode Island School of Design Rochester Institute of Technology Sarah Lawrence College Savannah College of Art and Design School of the Art Institute of Chicago Smith College St. John's College Syracuse University **Temple University Trinity College Tufts University** 

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