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# Post-Secondary Outcomes 2023

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## Application Increases:

Applications submitted via the Common App rose by 5.62% this year. They are up 32% from 2020



## Test-Optional:

1,830+ schools did not require ACT/SAT scores

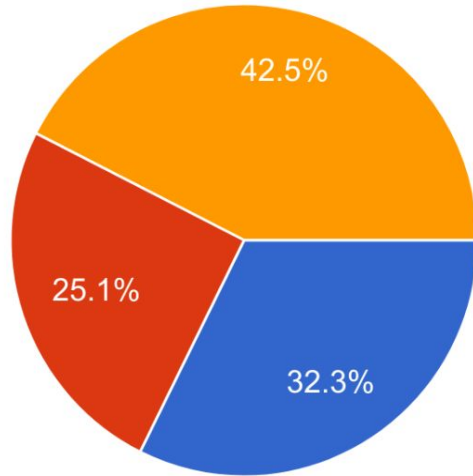
**SAT** **ACT**

**(optional)**

# Test-Optional: MLHS

Did you submit test scores (SAT, ACT) to colleges?

167 responses



- Yes, to all colleges I applied to
- Yes, to some colleges I applied to
- No, I did not submit test scores to any college I applied to

# Trends Emerging From Recent Application Season

- **College Enrollment** has largely stabilized after the steep losses seen throughout the pandemic.
- **Application Inflation**: Colleges receive more applications than they can reasonably consider.
- **Early Applications**: Approximately 50% of students applied to college through early decision or early action.
- **Success in Sports Drove up Application Inflation**: Colleges with successful sports team had a significant increase in applications.
- **Dramatic Increase in Deferrals and Waitlists**: This is a result of the application inflation.

# Trends Emerging From Recent Application Seasons

- **International Applicants:** Notable increases in international applicants. These students pay higher tuition and receive less financial aid than US students.
- **College Costs:** Total cost of attendance (COA) has increased 134% in private universities and 175% in public universities since 2003
- **Legacy Preferences:** The trend is that legacy policies are dramatically decreasing and are less of a factor in admissions decisions.
- **SAT Subject Tests:** Eliminated in 2021. Some experts surmise that this may increase importance on other standardized scores such as AP scores, especially if the student is not submitting an ACT or SAT score.
- **ChatGPT:** Colleges may use different ways to evaluate students such as video submission or more short answer essays. AI detectors are not 100% reliable but they are improving.



# MLHS College Application Data

# Post-Secondary Plans: 2020-2022

	2023		2022		2021	
Post-Secondary Plans	# of Students	Percent	# of Students	Percent	# of Students	Percent
4-Year College	154	91.7%	172	89.6%	166	89.7%
2-Year College	5	3%	11	5.7%	10	5.4%
Employment	4	2.4%	5	2.6%	5	2.7%
Technical School	1	.6%	1	0.5%	1	0.5%
Military	0	0%	0	0%	1	0.5%
Gap Year, Other	4	2.4%	3	1.6%	2	1.1%
	<b>168</b>		<b>192</b>		<b>185</b>	



# MLHS Application & Acceptance Data

	2023	2022	2021
Applications Submitted	1511	1645	1504
Avg. Applications per Student	10.5	9	8
Total Acceptances	805	871	858
Overall Acceptance Rate	53%	53%	57%

# Acceptance Data, Cont.



## Ivy League

- 16 acceptances (Brown, Columbia, Cornell, Dartmouth, Harvard, Princeton, University of Pennsylvania) 10 enrollments

## Honors College Acceptances:

Northeastern, Duke, Rutgers, UVA, Univ. of Florida, Univ of Maryland, Univ of Michigan and more!

## Hidden Ivies

- 79 acceptances
- Stanford, Duke, Georgetown, Notre Dame, Wash U, Rice, Boston College, ; see a full list [here](#).

## Public Ivies

- 221 acceptances
- Michigan, Binghamton, UC Berkeley, University of Virginia, University of Maryland; see a full list [here](#).

# Most Applied vs. Enrolled

## Most Applied to:

- Rutgers University-New Brunswick (50)
- Northeastern University (46)
- University of Delaware (30)
- University of Maryland (29)
- University of Michigan (28)
- Syracuse University (27)
- Pennsylvania State University (27)
- University of Virginia (24)
- New York University (24)
- University of Pittsburgh (23)
- University of Wisconsin- Madison (23)
- Villanova University (22)
- Cornell University (22)

## Most Enrolled:

- Rutgers University-New Brunswick (12)
- Indiana University-Bloomington (6)
- Univ. of Massachusetts Amherst (4)
- Syracuse University (4)
- University of Pittsburgh (4)
- West Virginia University (4)
- Villanova University (3)
- Tulane University (3)
- University of Delaware (3)
- University of Maryland (3)
- Northeastern University (3)
- Fordham University (3)
- University of Scranton (3)
- County College of Morris (3)



# Enrollment Data

## Enrollment Breakdown:

- Attending 90 different colleges, in 32 states
- 3 students are attending college outside of the U.S.
- **In-State: 24**
- **Out-of-State/Country: 130**
- **Public: 76**
- **Private: 74**



# Early Decision

- 65 students applied ED I (39%)
  - 37 students were accepted ED I (57%)
  - 1 student was deferred (1.5%)
  - 27 students were not accepted (41.5%)
- 9 students applied ED II (2 %)
  - 4 were accepted (44 %)
  - 5 were denied (55.5%)



# Early Decision Applications

Early Decision Apps	2023
Applications Submitted	74
Total Acceptances	41
Overall Acceptance Rate	55%

## EARLY DECISION ACCEPTANCES

American University  
Boston College  
Boston University  
Brown University  
Bucknell University  
Columbia University  
Cornell University  
Dartmouth College  
Duke University  
Gettysburg College  
Hamilton College  
Ithaca College  
Lafayette College  
Lehigh University  
Middlebury College

Northeastern University  
Quinnipiac University  
Rice University  
Rochester Institute of Tech.  
Salisbury University  
Santa Clara University  
Skidmore College  
Stevens Institute of Tech.  
Syracuse University  
Tufts University  
Tulane University  
University of Miami  
University of Virginia  
Villanova University  
Wake Forest University

# Athletics

## NCAA Division I

4 students

*Baseball, Lacrosse, Swimming*

## NCAA Division II

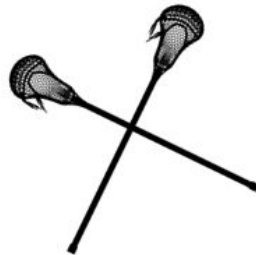
1 student

*Cheerleading*

## NCAA Division III

6 students

*Cross Country/Track & Field,  
Football, Lacrosse, Soccer*



# Athletics (Cont)



	2023	2022	2021
<b>NCAA DI</b>	4	10	6
<b>NCAA DII</b>	1	0	0
<b>NCAA DIII</b>	6	19	14
<b>NJCAA</b>	0	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>20</b>



# Intended Major/Career

- Accounting
- Aerospace Engineering
- Applied Math/ Economics/ Music
- Applied Psychology
- Architecture
- Astronomy
- Athletic Trainer
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Bioengineering
- Biology
- Biomedical engineering
- Business Administration
- Business Administration, Finance
- Business Management
- Business Marketing
- Business-Accounting and Finance
- Business/Finance
- Character Design/Animation
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Cognitive Science
- Communications
- Communications/ Marketing
- Communications, Undecided
- Computer Science
- Computer Science and Data Science
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science and Applied Mathematics
- Criminal Psychology
- Criminology
- Criminology/Criminal Justice
- Early Childhood Education
- Economics
- Education for Exceptional Students
- Electrical Engineering
- Engineering
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Science and Policy
- Exercise Science
- Fiber Science and Fashion Management
- Finance
- Forensic Psychology
- Health Sciences

# Intended Major/Career

- Health Sciences/Business Administration
- Health/ Exercise science
- History
- History/International Relations
- Cell Biology and Neuroscience
- Hospitality Management
- Information Sciences
- Integrative Physiology
- International Relations/Econ
- Kinesiology
- Magazine, News and Digital Journalism
- Marketing
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering/Music
- Neurobiology
- Neuroscience
- Nursing
- Nutrition
- Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Philosophy
- Philosophy/Economics/Politics
- Physics
- Political Science
- Political Science and International Relations
- Pre Med
- Pre Veterinary
- Psychology and Architecture
- Psychology/ social work
- Psychology
- Psychology, Communications
- Psychology, Communications
- Social Science
- Sports Marketing and Management
- Strategic Design and Management
- Undecided
- Welding
- Zoo Science

# College Destinations: Class of 2023



American University  
Bluegrass Community and Technical  
College  
Boston College  
Boston University  
Brown University  
Bucknell University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Clemson University  
Colgate University  
College of Charleston  
College of the Holy Cross  
Columbia University  
Cornell University  
County College of Morris  
Dartmouth College  
DeSales University  
Duke University

Fairleigh Dickinson University  
Flagler College  
Florida State University  
Fordham University  
Gallaudet University  
Georgetown University  
Georgia Institute of Technology-Main  
Campus  
Gettysburg College  
Hamilton College  
Harvard University  
Indiana University-Bloomington  
Ithaca College  
Lafayette College  
Lehigh University  
Louisiana State University  
Marist College  
Middlebury College

Montclair State University  
Muhlenberg College  
New Jersey Institute of Technology  
Northeastern University  
NYU Shanghai  
Ohio State University-Main Campus  
Pennsylvania State University-Main  
Campus  
Princeton University  
Providence College  
Purdue University-Main Campus  
Quinnipiac University  
Rice University  
Rider University  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Rowan University  
Rutgers University-New Brunswick  
Salisbury University

# College Destinations: Class of 2023



San Diego State University  
Santa Clara University  
Savannah College of Art & Design -  
SCAD  
Skidmore College  
SUNY - New Paltz  
Syracuse University  
The New School  
The University of British Columbia  
The University of Texas at Austin  
Trevecca Nazarene University  
Trinity College Dublin  
Tufts University  
Tulane University of Louisiana  
University of Colorado Boulder

University of Connecticut  
University of Delaware  
University of Florida  
University of Illinois at  
Urbana-Champaign  
University of Maryland-College Park  
University of Massachusetts-Amherst  
University of Miami  
University of Michigan-Ann Arbor  
University of Mississippi  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh  
Campus  
University of Rhode Island  
University of Scranton

University of South  
Carolina-Columbia  
University of Toronto  
University of Virginia-Main Campus  
University of Washington-Seattle  
Campus  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Villanova University  
Virginia Tech  
Wake Forest University  
Wellesley College  
West Liberty University  
West Virginia University  
William Paterson University of New  
Jersey



# MLHS College & Career Events

**Questions?**