Portrait of an MHS Graduate

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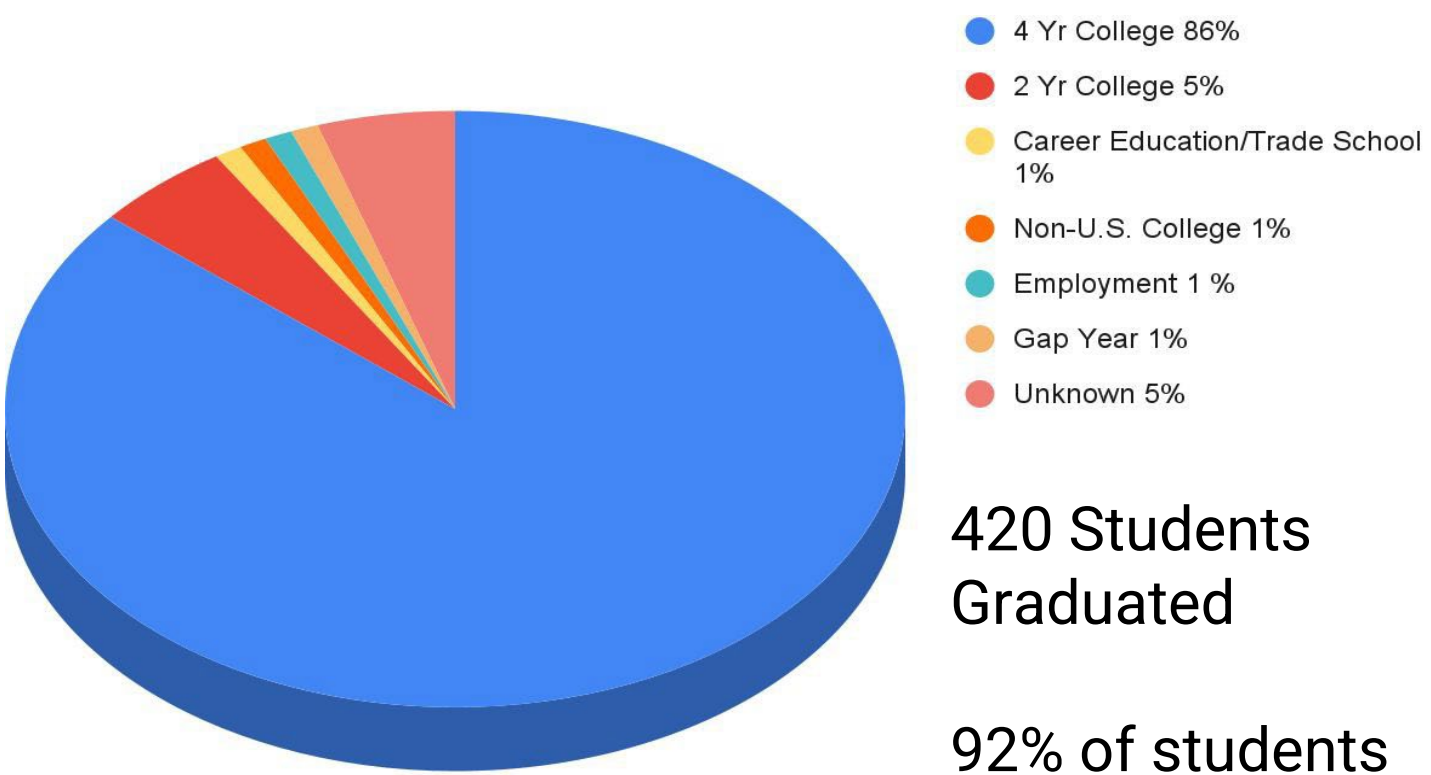
MHS Class of 2025 Snapshot



420 Students Graduated

92% of students are continuing with education

Data from *Naviance*

5 Years of Class Profiles

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Graduating Class Size	420	383	409	374	423
Average GPA (weighted)	90.48	90.47	90.79	90.6	90.6
Average PSAT	1200	1211	1247	1225	1236
Average SAT	1368	1346	1358	1335	1344
Average ACT	29	28	28	28	30
Number of College Apps Submitted	5343	4281	5233	4653	4491
Average Number of Apps per Student	12.7	11.2	12.8	12.4	10.6

Data from *Naviance & Genesis*

2024-2025



Advanced Placement Courses Offered 2024-2025

Art History

Biology

Calculus AB

Calculus BC

Calculus C

Chemistry

Computer Science A

English Lang. & Composition

English Lit & Composition

Environmental Science

French Language

German Language

AP Economics

(Macro/Micro) Physic 1

Physics C (Elec & Mag/Mechanics)

Spanish Language

Statistics

Studio Art: 2D Design/Drawing

Studio Art: Photography

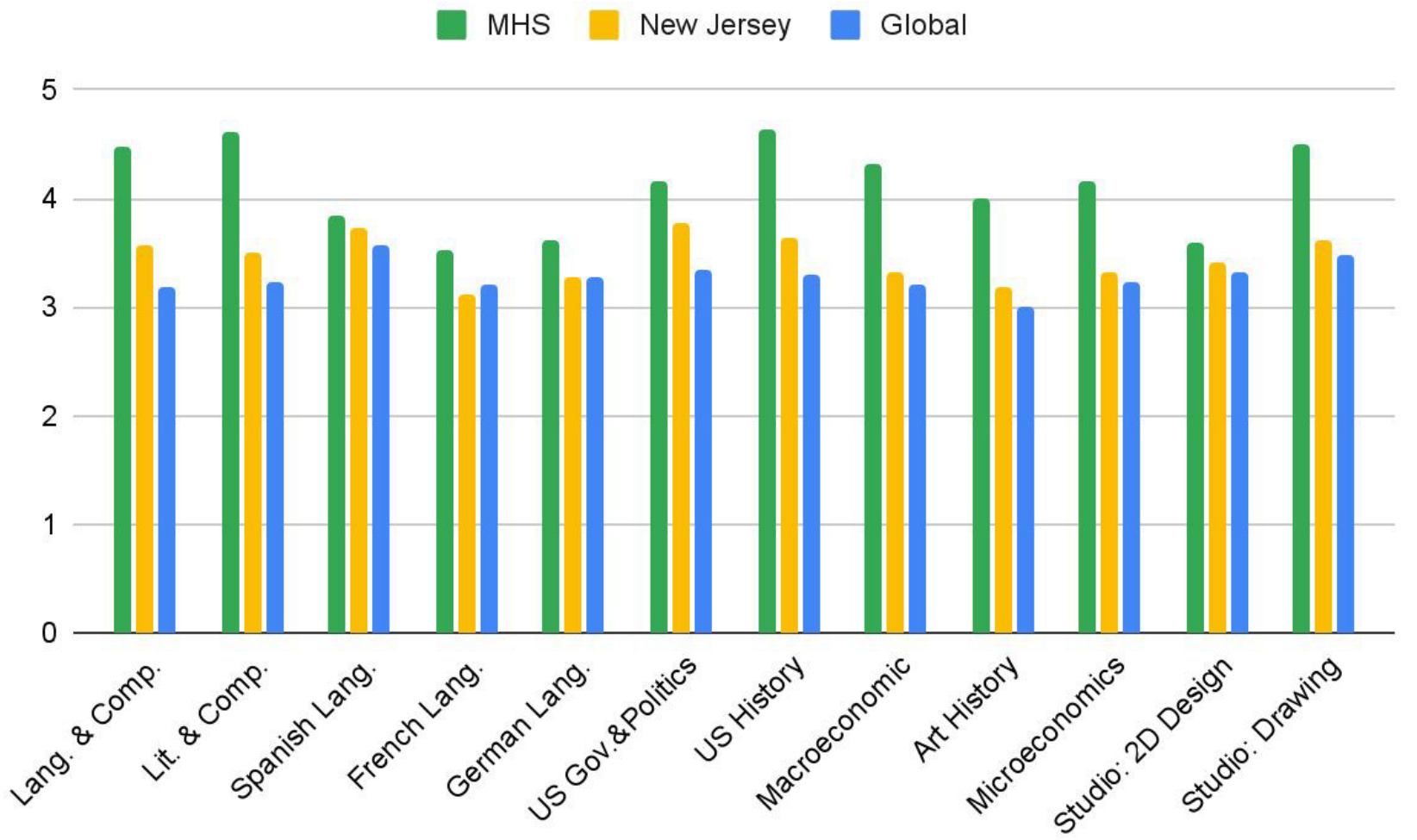
US Government & Politics

US History

Seminar & Research

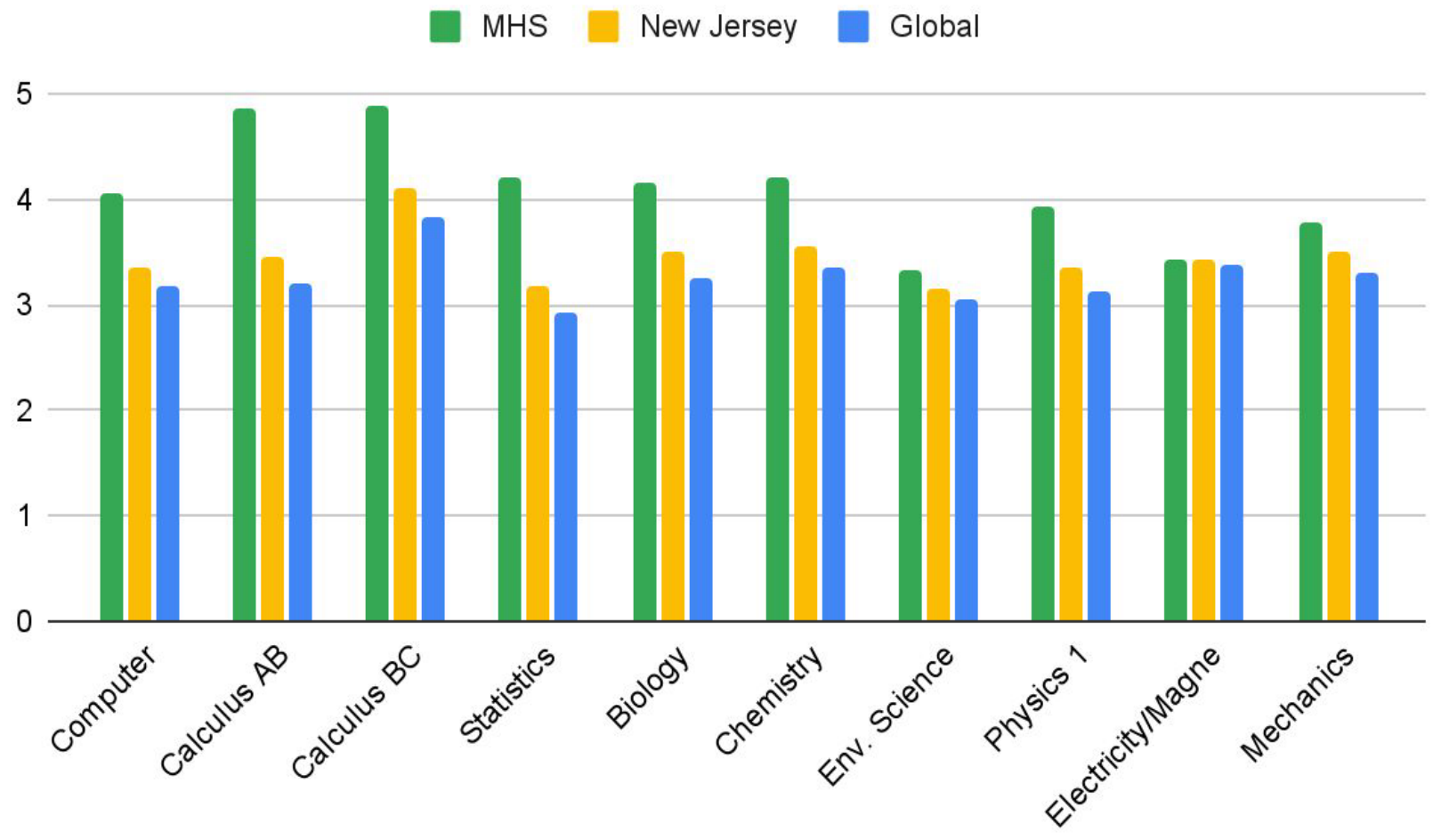
From Program of Studies

2025 Advance Placement Mean Scores



College Board

2025 Advance Placement Mean Scores



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2024-2025

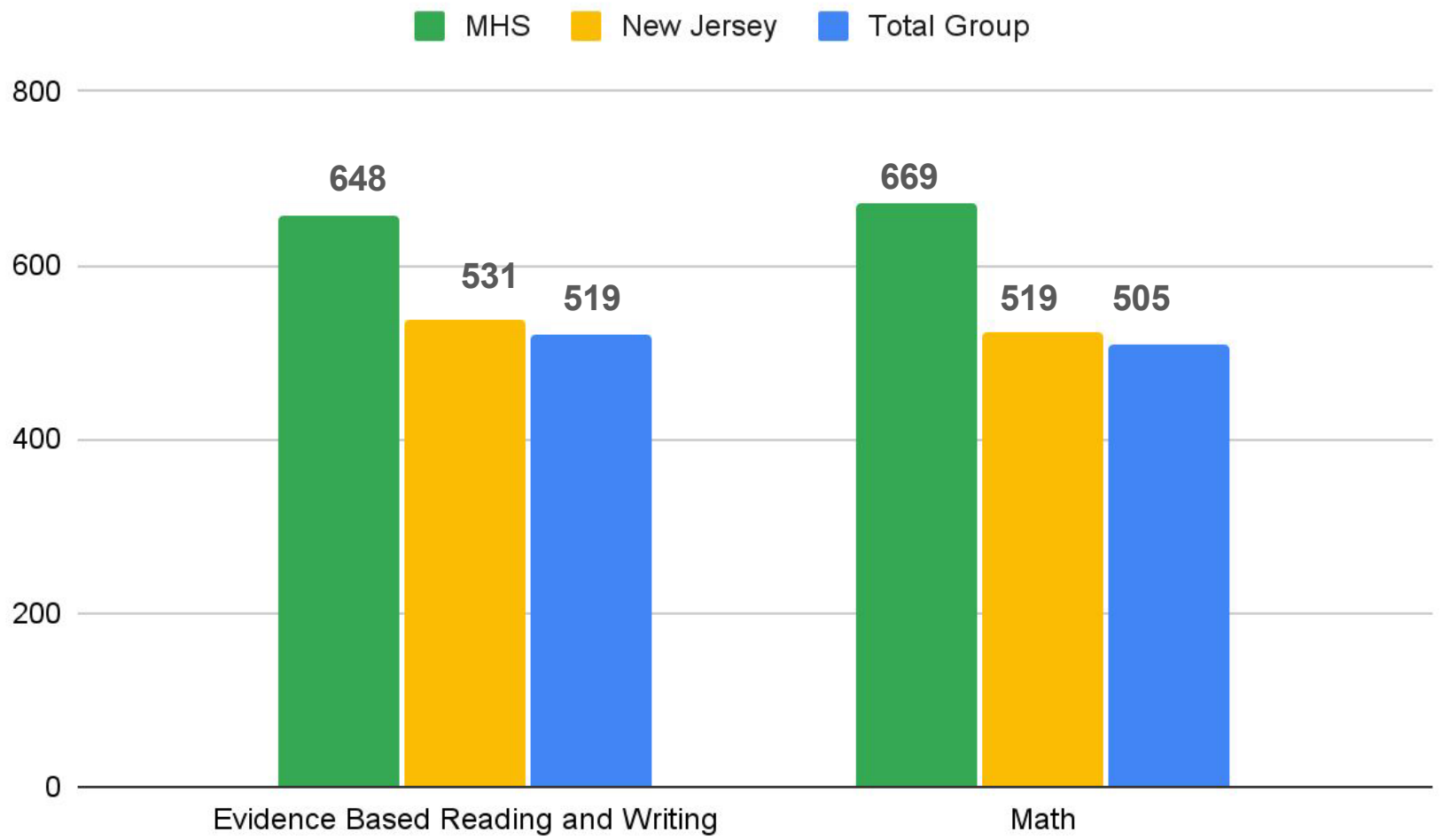


The SAT tests reasoning and verbal abilities and is designed to assess students' academic readiness for college.

Math- 800

Evidence-based Reading & Writing- 800

Class of 2025 SAT Scores (mean)



2025 Profile (College Board)

SAT Scores 2021-2025

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Evidence Based Reading and Writing SAT Scores					
MHS	658	648	661	647	640
NJ	538	531	538	543	562
Total Group	521	519	520	529	533
Math SAT Scores					
MHS	672	669	677	669	660
NJ	523	519	528	537	563
Total Group	508	505	508	521	528

2025 Profile (College Board)

2024-2025

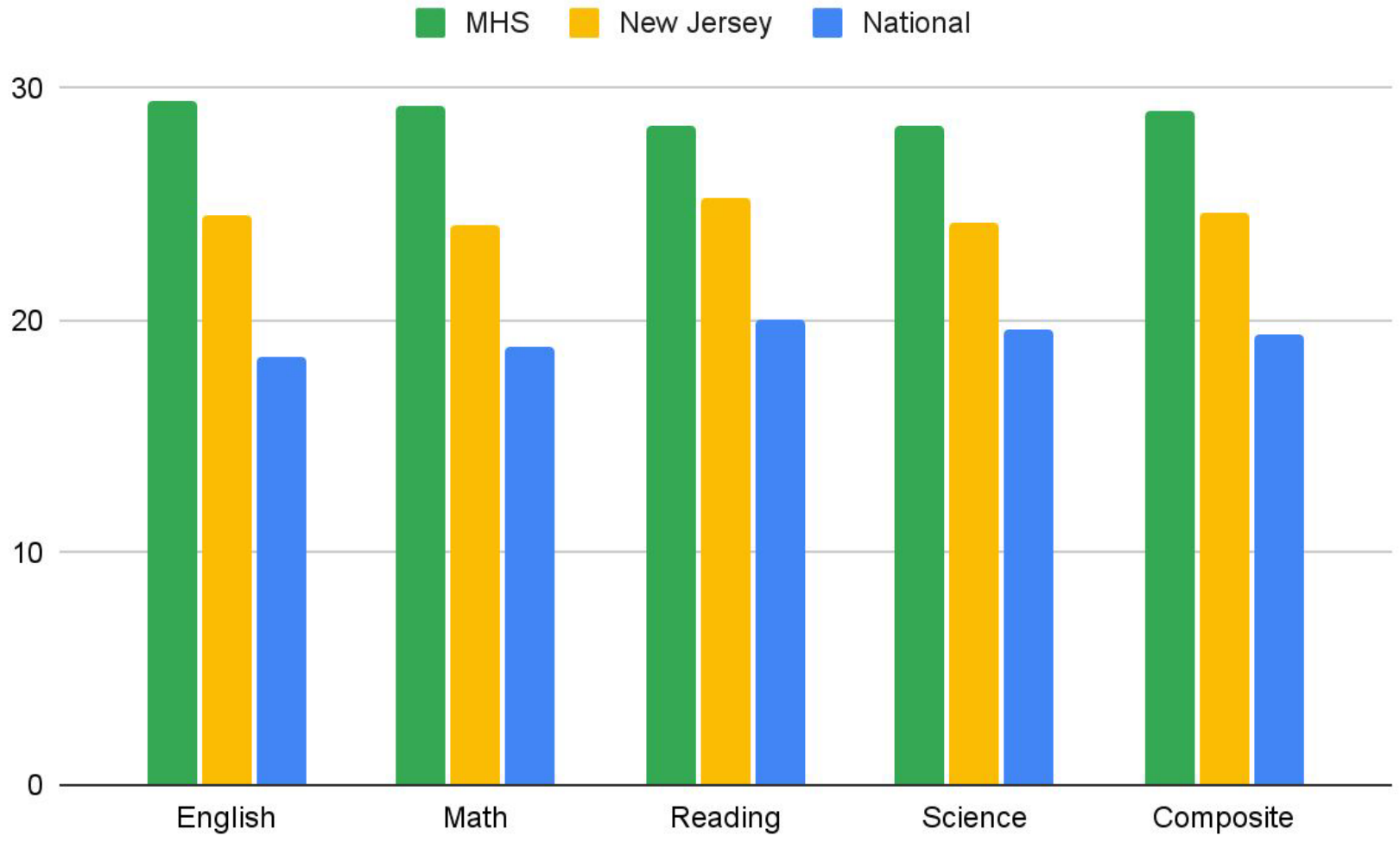


The ACT is an achievement test, measuring what a student has learned in school.

Composite Score - 36

- **English**
- **Math**
- **Reading**
- **Science**

Class of 2025 Mean ACT Scores



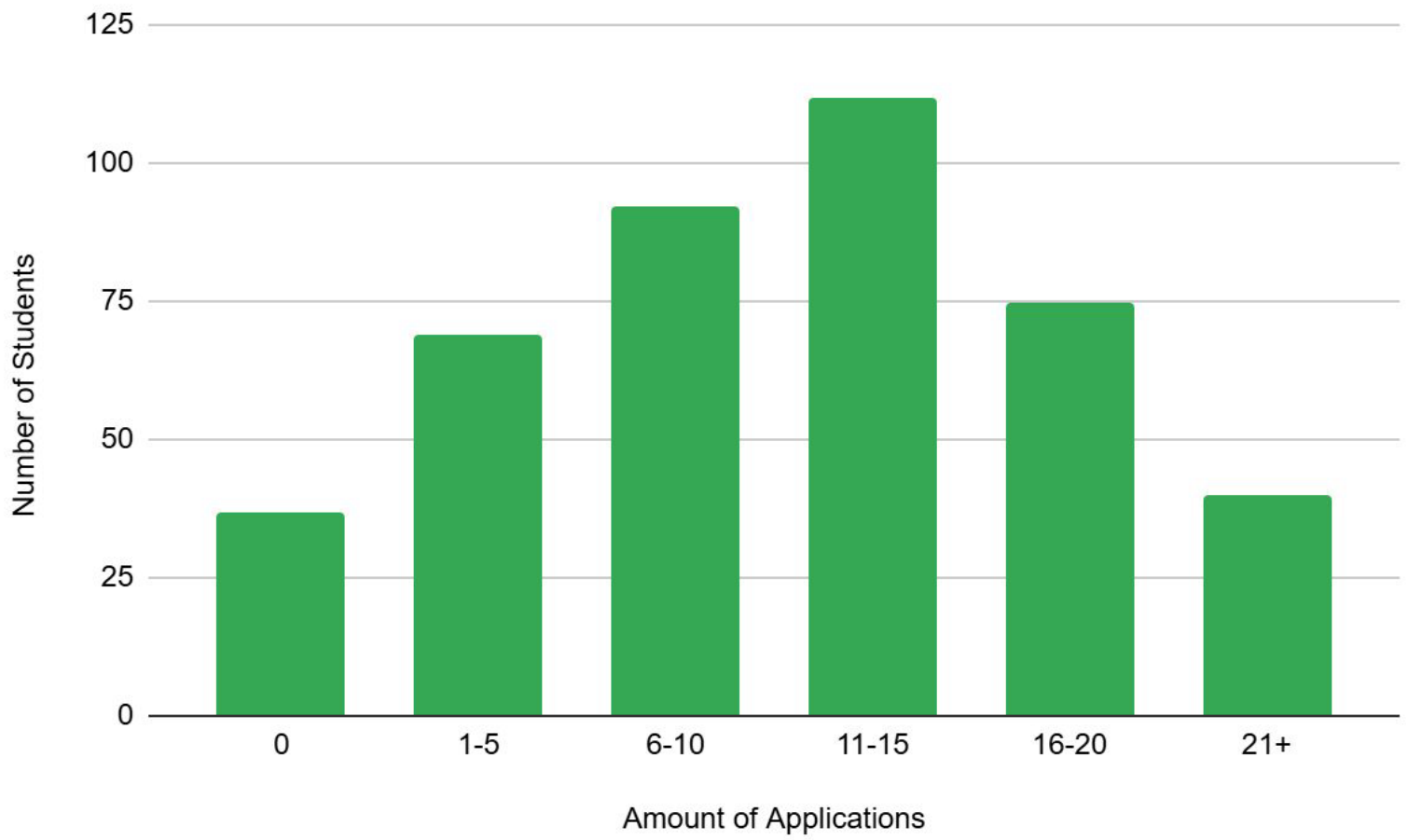
2025 Profile (College Board)

ACT Composite Scores 2021-25

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
MHS Composite	29.0	28.4	28.2	28.1	29.3
NJ Composite	24.6	24.1	24.4	24.6	25.1
National Composite	19.4	19.4	19.5	19.8	20.3

2025 Profile (College Board)

College Applications per Student Class of 2025



Data from ***Naviance - Transcript Data***

Where Are We Applying…Class of 2025 Top 15

College	# Applied	# Accepted	% Accepted	# Attending	GPA Avg	SAT Avg
Rutgers - New Brunswick	292	157	54%	56	93.983	1469
Penn State University Park	167	97	58%	9	91.248	1396
Northeastern University	130	50	38%	8	93.865	1492
Drexel University	119	74	62%	7	90.622	1390
University of Pittsburgh	116	80	69%	8	92.22	1412
The College of New Jersey	107	58	54%	10	90.427	1348
University of Maryland	106	29	27%	3	95.446	1507
Purdue University	104	38	37%	11	93.386	1472
New York University	99	16	16%	8	95.447	1505
New Jersey Institute of Tech	94	61	65%	13	91.137	1392
University of Illinois at UC	93	22	24%	11	94.992	1511
University of Michigan	91	7	8%	4	97.769	1561
Boston University	78	26	33%	4	94.836	1505
University of Massachusetts	72	21	29%	6	92.857	1449
Carnegie Mellon University	71	3	4%	3	94.794	1483

Where Are We Going - Top 15

College	# Applied	# Accepted	% Accepted	# Attending	% Attending/Yield
Rutgers University - New Brunswick	292	157	54%	56	35.67%
Raritan Valley Community College	19	14	74%	14	100.00%
New Jersey Institute of Technology	94	61	65%	13	21.31%
Purdue University	104	38	37%	11	28.95%
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	93	22	24%	11	50.00%
The College of New Jersey	107	58	54%	10	17.24%
Rutgers University - Newark	26	15	58%	10	66.67%
Penn State University Park	167	97	58%	9	9.28%
Northeastern University	130	50	38%	8	16.00%
University of Pittsburgh	116	80	69%	8	10.00%
New York University	99	16	16%	8	50.00%
Drexel University	119	74	62%	7	9.46%
University of Massachusetts Amherst	72	21	29%	6	28.57%
Indiana University Bloomington	60	29	48%	6	20.69%
Rowan University	60	32	53%	6	18.75%

RUTGERS
THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

- Over 70,000 first-year applications in 2025 (New Brunswick)
- Rutgers received a **record-setting 244,000 applications** for admission in academic year 2024–2025 (total campuses)
- Increase in applications has risen for three consecutive years
- All campuses experiencing growth - Newark campus + 17% increase
- Remains Test-Optional
- HS Class of 2025 - 54% acceptance

2026 Admissions Landscape and Trends

- **Application Competition Continues -** selection and acceptances vary widely and highly selective schools are more competitive than ever.
- **Reversal of "Test Optional" -** 11% increase in students submitting test scores. More selective schools have reinstated standardized test requirement. *Columbia is the only Ivy League school to remain test optional. 1,900 other schools remain test optional - approx. 80%*
- **Diversity and Geography Shifts -** International applicants decreased by 9%, schools focus on balancing classes geographically, rural applicants, first generation students increasing.
- **Increased Interest in Top State Schools -** South and Southwest (up 15%) remain popular
- **Increases in Cost of Attendance** - selective private and ivy league schools reaching over $90K per year. Public more affordable avg. $30K-$60K
- **Legacy Status Fading** - less advantage and originality/uniqueness increasingly important for all applicants

Concurrent Enrollment

- Seton Hall Project Acceleration
- 2024-25; 10 students / 6 courses
- 2025-26; 50 students / 6 courses
- 2026-27; 8 new courses pending approval

Currently Running
French 4H
Latin 4H
Spanish 4H
English 12H
Ceramics 2
Advanced Ceramics

Pending Approval
Spanish 4 English
11H Precalc H
Calc H
Biology H
AP Env Science
AP Computer Science
Chamber Choir

Career Exploration

Sophomore Seminar

Lunch & Learn Series

National Merit Scholars

The National Merit Scholarship Program is an annual, highly prestigious academic competition in the United States that provides recognition and college scholarships to high school students based on their standardized test scores and academic records.

1.3 million students from 22,000 entered the National Merit Scholarship Program

Take PSAT / NMSQT in Grade 11 as an initial screening

50,000 of the highest scorers receive commendation and the top 16,000 become semifinalists.

They must also meet elite level academic requirements through senior year proving greatest potential for success in rigorous college studies and beyond

About 7,000 (less than 1%) become finalists and eligible for significant scholarship $$$ and prestigious recognition

National Merit Scholars

	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022
Finalist	8	15	10	14	29
Semifinalist	11	15	10	14	30
Commended	71	80	62	67	46

2026 Merit Scholars - Finalists

Priyanshu Dasgupta
Eesha Gadde
August Gao
Daniel Leopold
Angela Liu
Anirudh Muppalla
Shruthi Pattabiraman
Vibhuv Sharma

National Merit (cont)

- In order for a Semifinalist to qualify as a Finalist, they must
  - Continue to meet all requirements
  - Be enrolled in their last year of high school
  - Have a record of consistently high academic performance
  - Complete the NMSC Online Scholarship Application
  - Take the SAT or ACT and earn scores consistent with PSAT/NMSQT
  - Provide additional documentation, including submission of a personal essay.
  - About 95% of Semi Finalists qualify as Finalists.

New for MHS

Career Exploration - Popular Lunch and Learn Series
Guest speakers twice a month for student career awareness

Enhancing College Prep Services
Access to free SAT/ACT Practice tests and college seminars

Concurrent Enrollment - students are continuing to participate
Seton Hall Project Acceleration Link

FAFSA Requirement - NJ Regulation
Must be completed as a NJ graduation requirement - beginning 2025

National Merit (cont)

- Less than 1 percent of the nation’s high school graduating seniors qualify as Semi Finalists each year.
- The Semi Finalists have the opportunity to advance in the competition for about 7,250 Merit Scholarship awards.