

College Hunt welcomes students and parents...

**IVY League Admissions: giving yourself an
opportunity to compete!**

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The Ivy League

1. Brown University
2. Columbia University
3. Cornell University
4. Dartmouth College
5. Harvard University
6. Princeton University
7. University of Penn.
8. Yale University



A look at some numbers...

Applications & Acceptance:

1. **Brown**- 28,742 applied, 2,627 accepted= 9.14%
2. **Princeton**- 26,641 applied, 1,983 accepted= 7.44%
3. **Yale**- 27,283 applied, 2,109 accepted= 7.73%

Average GPA and test scores:

1. **Brown**- 31 ACT Composite, SAT Combined 2135. GPA 3.8
2. **Princeton**- 33 ACT Composite, SAT Combined 2240, GPA 3.86.
3. **Yale**- 33 ACT Composite, SAT Combined 2225, GPA 3.9

Prepare to compete!

The best of the best apply to the Ivy League every fall- *global competition.*

Necessary steps to increase your success:

1. A positive display of well roundness in all aspects of your life.
2. Must enroll into highest curriculum possible, with continued rigor throughout four years (Honors and AP courses- go with strengths).
3. Take advantage of the curriculum offered at your high school.
4. Three or more years of World Language and Science.
5. Extracurricular activities- 2 with sustained commitment and leadership roles (team captain, treasurer, etc.)
6. Strong performance on SAT or ACT tests.

“What separates you from other applicants?”

This question plays a major role throughout the holistic admission process, discussion and final decision.

- Participation in an internship that matches with your future major and career goals.
- Extraordinary initiative or creative thinking in seeking out or designing an opportunity for yourself.
- Strength of character in overcoming adversity.

What will you add to their campus?

Essay

- This is a tremendous opportunity to express more about yourself, future goals, a particular strength, area of growth.
- Multiple questions- Common Application questions but many require supplemental questions. Take these seriously!
- Do your research- adding specific information about a major or program reflects well.
- Write your own essay! Accessing help is essential, but you must take ownership in the process and product.

Applying early?

- Will show you have demonstrated serious interest in attending. Meaning you are all in.
- Remember if applying “early decision” you should be doing so with the understanding this is your top choice, absolutely no reservations.
- Research and discuss before making this decision, many are binding.
- “Single-choice” early action- prevents you from applying to other private schools until you hear from that institution.

Questions?

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