

TOP TIER ADMISSIONS

CLASS OF 2026

THE HEADLINE

72%

*of Early Ivy+
Applicants Admitted*

Nearly three in four Class of 2026 students who applied early to an Ivy+ university were admitted. Across all rounds, the class earned 81 Ivy+ offers of admission out of 178 applications.

IVY+ OUTCOMES OVERALL ADMIT RATE VS. NATIONAL AVERAGE

9×
THE NATIONAL
AVERAGE

TTA CLASS OF 2026

45.5%

NATIONAL AVERAGE

5%

National average based on most recently reported cycle (Class of 2029).

THE CLASS, IN NUMBERS

541

TOTAL ACCEPTANCES

across all programs and schools

166

UNIQUE COLLEGES

that admitted TTA students

\$6M+

MERIT AID EARNED

in scholarship awards

CLASS OF 2026 HIGHLIGHTS ACCEPTANCES PER SCHOOL

73

Full Sweeps & Top-Choice ED Admits — students admitted to every school they applied to, or to the early decision school they wanted most.

15

DARTMOUTH

14

CORNELL

11

HARVARD

10

UCHICAGO

10

COLUMBIA

9

YALE

9

PENN

9

DUKE

The largest individual merit award was \$452,000 from the University of Richmond, part of more than \$6M earned across the class of 2026. International placements include the University of Oxford, the University of Cambridge, and the University of St Andrews.

BEHIND THE NUMBERS

OUR APPROACH

Results like these reflect a deliberate, decades-tested methodology built around three principles.

Expertise

Our counselors bring decades of experience from inside the rooms where decisions are made — former Ivy League admissions officers, published authors, and award-winning educators.

Personalized Strategy

There is no formula. We see each student's *unique* achievements, traits, and potential, then craft a tailored strategy designed to give them a competitive edge.

High-Touch Partnership

Our counselors serve as mentors to students and partners to their families — from the moment of enrollment until graduation. We work with a limited number of families each year to ensure individual attention.

WHERE THEY WERE ACCEPTED A SELECTION FROM 166 UNIQUE ACCEPTANCES

Harvard • Yale • Stanford • MIT • Columbia • Penn • Brown • Dartmouth • Cornell • WashU • Duke • UChicago • Northwestern • Vanderbilt • Rice • Emory • Williams • Colby • Amherst • UCLA • Swarthmore • Pomona • Wellesley • Bowdoin • Barnard • Michigan • Cambridge • UC Berkeley • UNC • UVA • NYU • USC • Tufts • Oxford • St. Andrews • Notre Dame • Carnegie Mellon

A NOTE FROM OUR CEO

Dear Families,

Behind every number in this report is a student we've had the privilege of knowing deeply over many years, and a family who entrusted us with one of the most meaningful decisions of their child's educational journey.

The outcomes for the Class of 2026 were extraordinary. And they are the result of sustained effort, intellectual curiosity, thoughtful guidance, and the courage to present themselves authentically in an increasingly crowded admissions landscape.

At Top Tier Admissions, we don't believe in formulas, shortcuts, or manufactured resumes. The strongest applications emerge from time, trust, strategy, and the careful work of helping a student understand who they are and how they want to contribute to the world.

It is a privilege to do this work alongside such remarkable young people and families. Thank you for allowing us to be part of this important chapter.



Dr. Liz Doe Stone

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