HADDAM KILLINGWORTH HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2016 GRADUATE REPORT

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Re: Class of 2016 Graduate Report

Date: August 23, 2016

With the close of the 2015-2016 academic year, the HKHS team has compiled the following report about the future plans for the HKHS Class of 2016. As you will see in the Student Outcomes Summary that follows, 73.4% of this year's graduating class is planning to attend a four-year college in the fall with an additional 17.3% attending two year schools. All totaled, 91% of the class will formally continue their education after HKHS. Four of our graduates (2.9%) will join the military and nine (6.5%) will seek employment upon graduation. These statistics represent a fairly stable percentage of students pursuing their education after graduation as compared with last year, which reflects a small but steady increase over the last five years.

Much of this report is dedicated to providing a summary of the colleges sought by our students and the success rate of their application process. We have surveyed our graduates to determine the factors involved when choosing which college(s) to apply to and, if accepted to multiple colleges, how they determine which college they will attend in the fall. The factors reported included intended major, cost, financial aid, location and whether or not the student will play a sport in college. It is important to remember that the primary focus of our school counseling department in providing college counseling is helping students and their families to find the best "educational fit" for them, given many factors from academics to family finances and individual student personality. Our Student Success Plan and tools through Naviance help students to self-assess their goals and proceed with the college application process accordingly.

We encourage students to consider the many options available to them and to apply to a range of colleges from those they will likely gain entrance to ones that are a bit more of a challenge. That said, our entire HKHS team including our counseling department, is engaged in the work of raising aspirations for our students by all stakeholders, including the students themselves. As part of this work, our counselors continue to visit and meet college admission representatives to expand their understanding of how to best leverage individual student strengths to maximize college acceptance rates. Please note that, while we continue to actively encourage students to pursue admission to the most competitive colleges and while we are pleased with their outcomes this year, there is a natural decrease in our acceptance rate since these colleges are more difficult to get into.

It is clear that a quality education can be found at a wide variety of colleges and universities across the country and that many individual factors, including talent, ambition, resilience and work ethic are more important to their ultimate success than the individual college they attend.

We hope that you find this report informative.

Post-Secondary Plans

A Comparison of Classes 2012-2016

Categories	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Number of Graduates	184	161	158	168	139
Four-Year College	66.9%	70.8%	71.5%	74.4% (125)	73.4% (102)
Two-Year College	20.1%	21.1%	17.7%	17.9% (30)	17.3% (24)
Military/Technical Education	3.8%	1.9%	4.5%	1.86% (4)	2.9% (4)
Employment	9.2%	6.2%	6.3%	5.4% (9)	6.5% (9)

Class of 2016 Observations/Trends: (Cohort 139 on campus students in the class of 2016; outplaced students not included in this data)

- Four year college attendance decreased slightly over the Class of 2015, but represents an overall 8.1% increase since the Class of 2012
- Total number of applications: 728
- Applications to Most, Very, and Highly competitive colleges increased

College Majors:

Haddam Killingworth High School graduates will be pursing **college majors** in the following areas (including but not limited to):

Health and Sciences: 24/19%

Engineering, Technology, and Related Fields: 24/19%

Undecided: 24/19%

Business: 19/16%

Humanities: 16/ 13%

Education: 7/6%

Fine Arts: 7/6%

Other: 3/2%

Community Service: Graduates of the Class of 2016 have dedicated **17,276.25** hours to the greater Haddam and Killingworth Communities

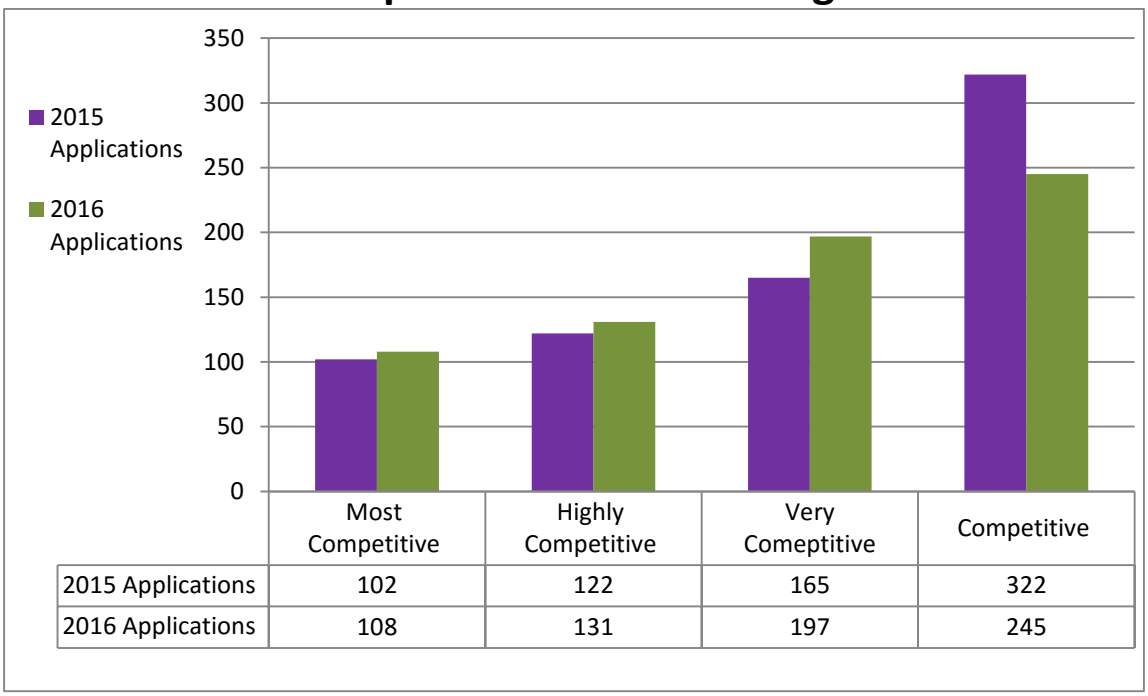
Class of 2016 Post-Secondary Application Highlights:

Class of 2016 had 29 fewer students than the Class of 2015

Applications Submitted and Acceptance

Categories	Class of 2015 Total Applications Submitted	Class of 2015 % of Applications Accepted of those submitted	Class of 2016 Total Applications Submitted	Class of 2016 % of Applications Accepted of those submitted
Most Competitive Applications Submitted	102	28%	108	36%
Highly Competitive Applications Submitted	122	81%	131	64%
Very Competitive Applications Submitted	165	79%	197	70%
Competitive Applications Submitted	322	83%	245	74%
Less Competitive Applications Submitted	32	93%	16	75%

- Overall 728 college applications were submitted. Of those, 486 (67%) resulted in the student's acceptance. This is down from the 74% acceptance rate for the Class of 2015, and it is a reflection of the overall increase in total applications made to **Most/Highly/Very Competitive** colleges this year.
- Of those 728 college application applications submitted on behalf of the Class of 2016, 681 (94%) were **submitted** to colleges with a rating of **"Competitive" or higher**, by *Barron's Guide to the Colleges*, an independent publication (this does not include applications that went to less and noncompetitive schools).
- Of the 728 applications **submitted** to colleges collectively rated **"Competitive" or higher**, 443/728 (61%) resulted in the student's **acceptance** to the college. This is down from the 525/711 (74%) acceptance rate for the Class of 2015, and is a reflection of the overall increase in total applications submitted to **"Most Competitive"** colleges this year.
- Of the 108 applications submitted to colleges rated **"Most Competitive"**, 39 (36%) resulted in the student's acceptance. This is up from the 28% acceptance rate for the Class of 2015.
- Of the 131 applications submitted to colleges rated **"Highly Competitive"**, 84 (64%) resulted in acceptance. While the number of applications is up from the Class of 2015, the acceptance rate is down, as it was 81% for the Class of 2015, however the number of applications increased.
- Of the 197 applications submitted to colleges rated **"Very Competitive"**, 138 (70%) resulted in acceptance. The number of applications increased by 19%, which resulted in decreased in acceptance from 79% for the Class of 2015.
- Of the 245 applications submitted to colleges rated **"Competitive"**, 182 (74%) resulted in acceptance. While the acceptance rate is down from 83% from the Class of 2015 this is due to the overall increase in applications to "Very Competitive" and "Highly Competitive" colleges.


Class of 2015 vs Class of 2016 Applications by Competitive Level of College
2015 Applications
2016 Applications
350
300
250
200
150
100
50
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Most Competitive
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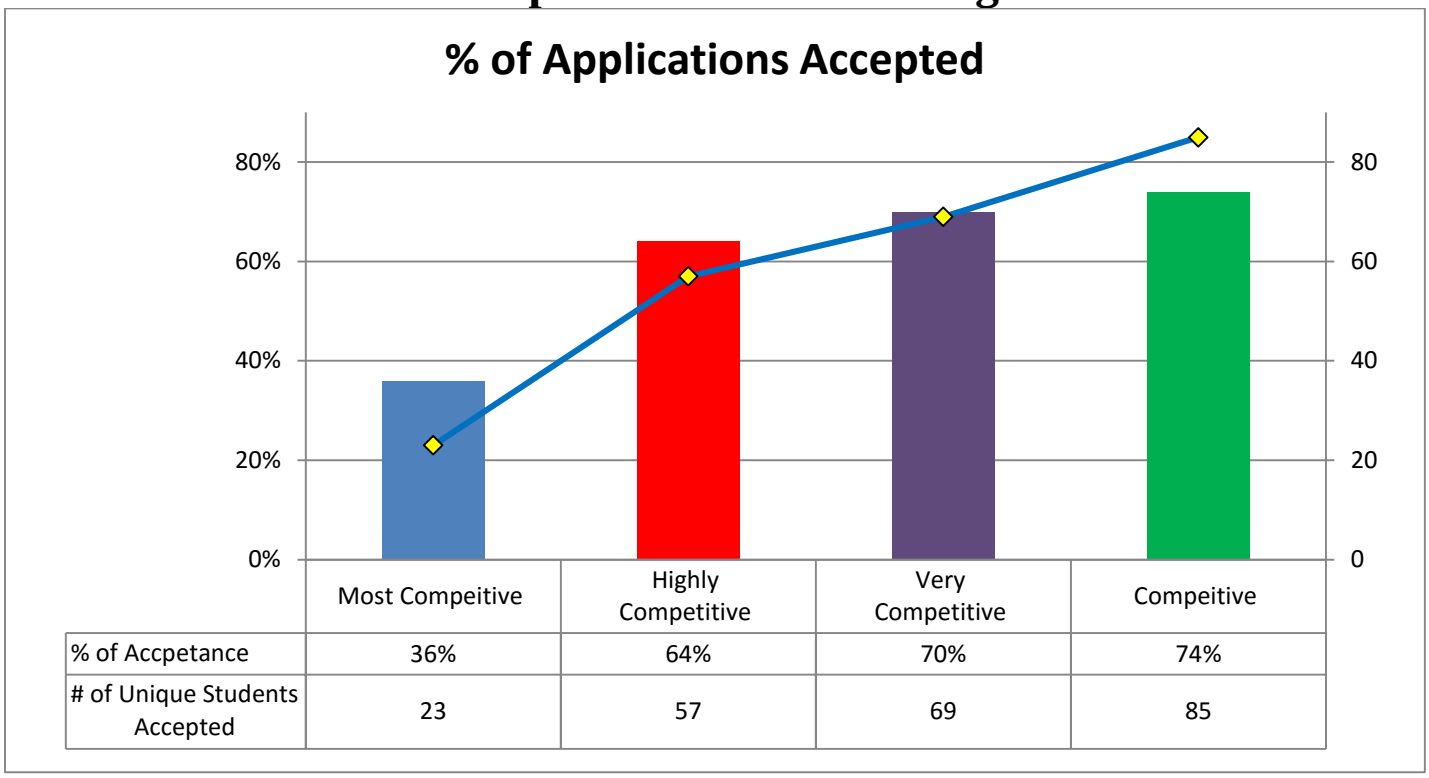
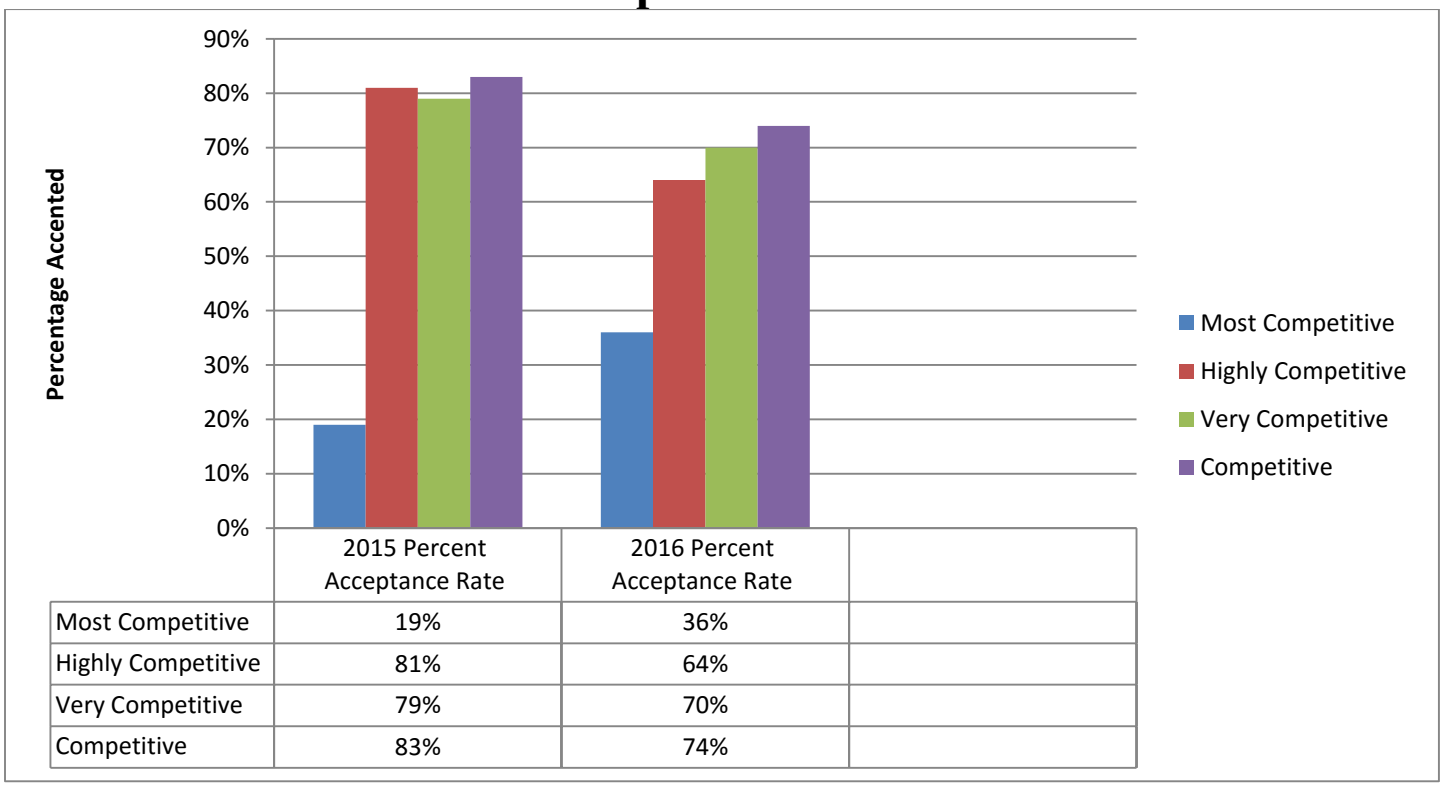
Competitive
2015 Applications 102 122 165 322
2016 Applications 108 131 197 245

Class of 2016 Percent Accepted by Competitive Level of College

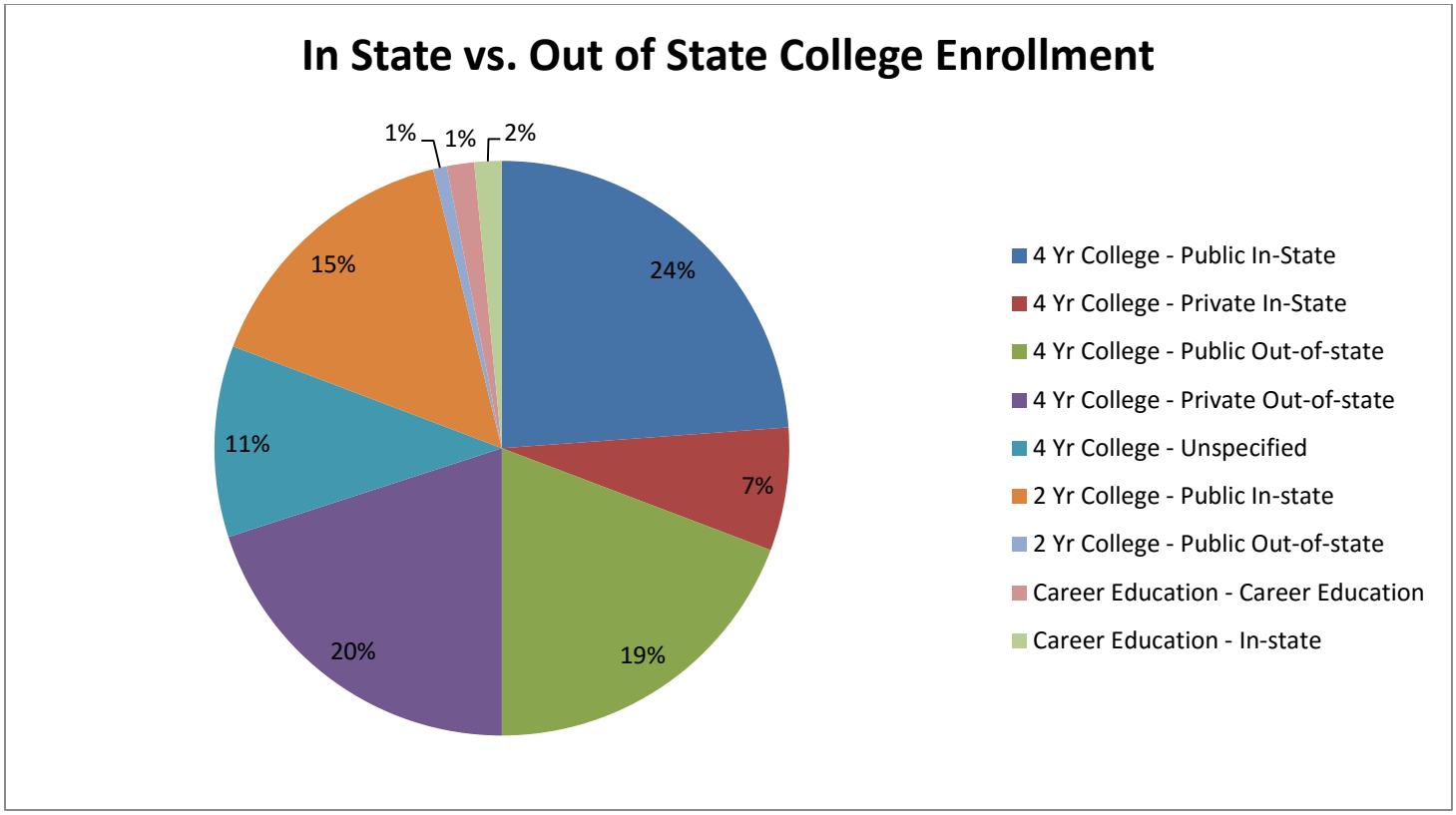


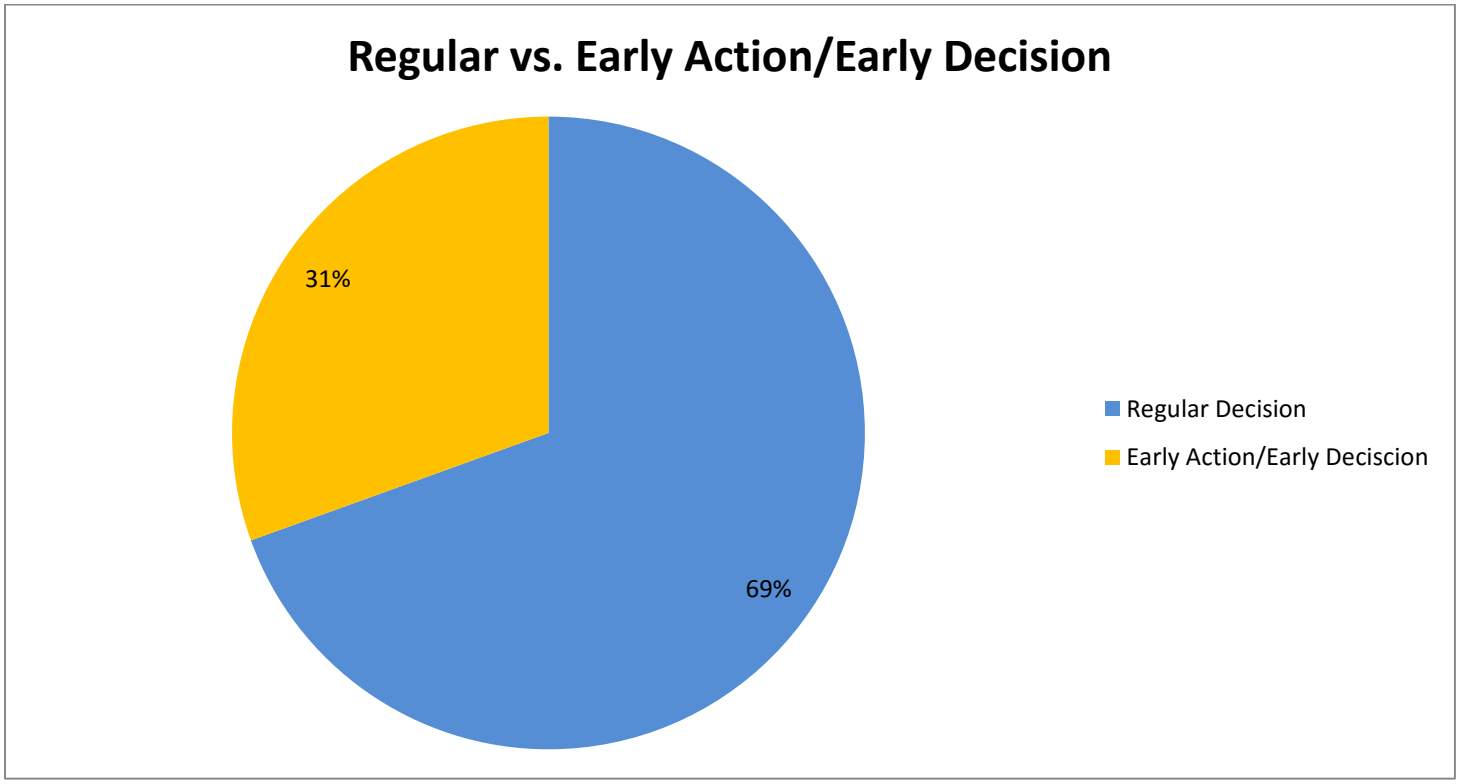
	Most Compeitive	Highly Competitive	Very Competitive	Compeitive
% of Accpetance	36%	64%	70%	74%
# of Unique Students Accepted	23	57	69	85

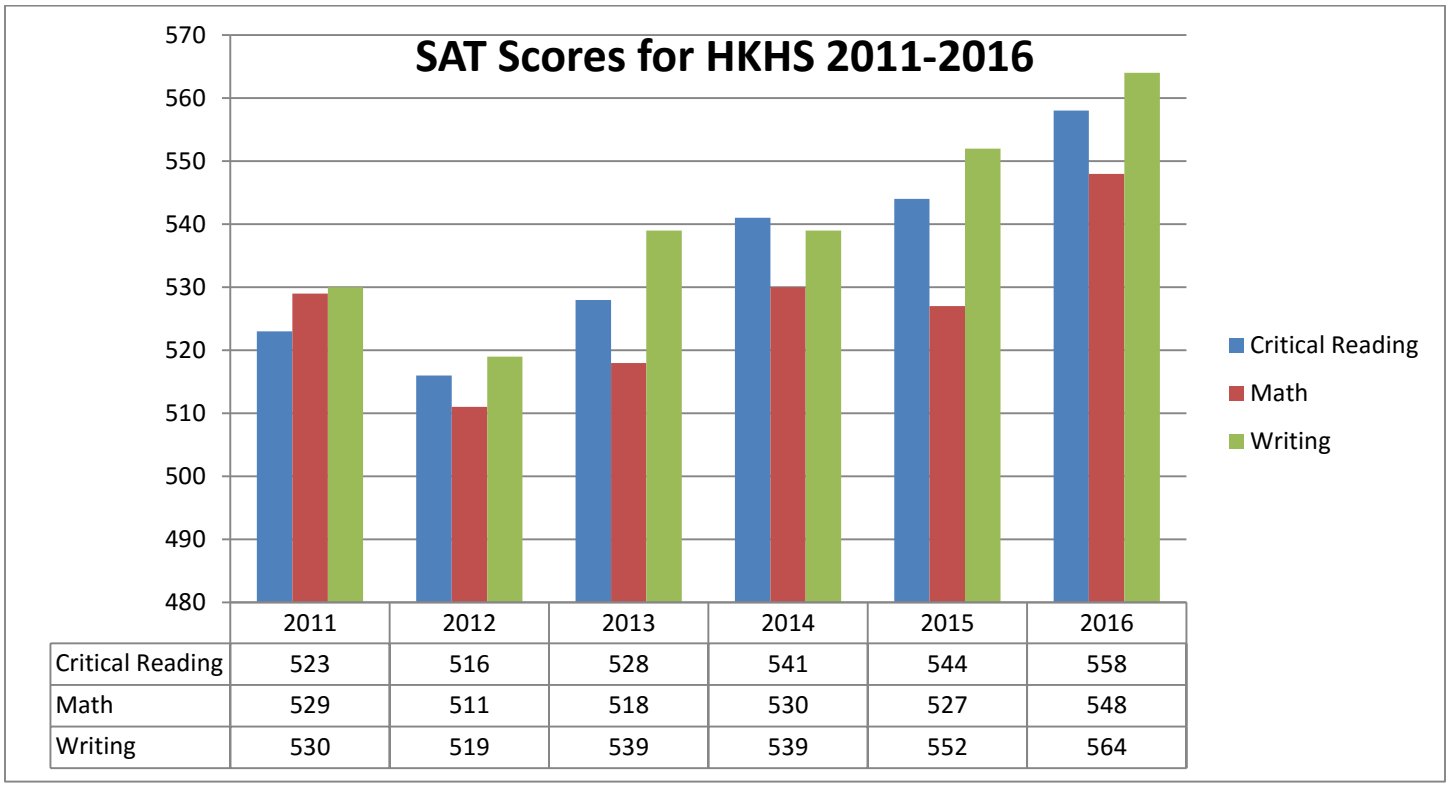
Class of 2015 and 2016 Percent of Applications Accepted by Competitive Level



	2015 Percent Acceptance Rate	2016 Percent Acceptance Rate	
Most Competitive	19%	36%	
Highly Competitive	81%	64%	
Very Competitive	79%	70%	
Competitive	83%	74%	


In State vs. Out of State College Enrollment
1%
1%
2%
15%
24%
11%
7%
20%
19%
4 Yr College - Public In-State
4 Yr College - Private In-State
4 Yr College - Public Out-of-state
4 Yr College - Private Out-of-state
4 Yr College - Unspecified
2 Yr College - Public In-state
2 Yr College - Public Out-of-state
Career Education - Career Education
Career Education - In-state


Regular vs. Early Action/Early Decision
31%
69%
Regular Decision
Early Action/Early Deciscion



	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Critical Reading	523	516	528	541	544	558
Math	529	511	518	530	527	548
Writing	530	519	539	539	552	564

Influence on Student Choice of College:

- Major – 25%
- Location – 21%
- Extra-Curricular Offerings/Sports – 20%
- Cost – 18%
- Financial Aid – 16%

Barron's College Selectivity Ratings

Most Competitive (Highest selectivity ranking) **Typically admitted** Students ranked in the top 10% to 20% in high school Admit fewer than 33% of applicants **School examples** Harvard (Northeast) University of Florida (South) Stanford University (West) University of Notre Dame (Midwest)	***Competitive*** **Typically admitted** Students ranked the top 50% to 65% in high school Admit between 75% and 85% of applicants **School examples** University of Nebraska (Midwest) Temple University (Northeast) University of Alabama (South) Arizona State University (West)
Highly Competitive **Typically admitted** Students ranked in the top 20% to 35% in high school Admit between 33% and 50% of applicant **School examples** Brigham Young University (West) Clemson University (South) Northeastern University (Northeast) Grinnell College (Midwest)	***Less Competitive*** **Typically admitted** Students ranked in the top 65% in high school Admit more than 85% of applicants **School examples** California State-Fresno (West) Indiana State (Midwest) University of South Carolina at Aiken (South) New England College (Northeast)
Very Competitive **Typically admitted** Students ranked in the top 35% to 50% in high school Admit between 50% and 75% of applicants **School examples** Ohio State University (Midwest) University of Rhode Island (Northeast) University of South Carolina (South) University of Arizona (West)	***Non-Competitive (Lowest selectivity ranking)*** **Typically admitted** Any student who graduated high school Admit 98% or more applicants **School examples** University of Arkansas at Little Rock (South) University of Nebraska at Kearny (Midwest) Wilmington College (Northeast) Eastern Oregon University (West)
Special Listed are the colleges whose programs of study are specialized professional schools of art, music, nursing and other disciplines. In general, admissions requirements are not based primarily on academic criteria, but on evidence of talent or special interest in the field. Many other colleges and universities offer special-interest program in addition to regular academic curricula, but such intuitions have been given a regular competitive rating base on academic criteria. Schools oriented toward working adults have also been assigned this rating. **School examples** Albany College of Pharmacy (Northeast) Burlington College (Northeast) Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (Northeast) Savannah College of Art and Design (South)	

College	Competitive Level	Apply	Accept	Deny	Attend	Waitlist/Defer
Adelphi University	VC	1	1	0	0	0
American University	HC	3	1	0	0	1
Amherst College	MC	1	0	0	0	1
Anna Maria College	C	1	1	0	0	0
Arizona State University	C	1	1	0	0	0
Assumption College	C	2	1	0	0	0
Bates College	MC	1	1	0	0	0
Baylor University	HC	1	0	0	0	1
Bentley University	HC	4	2	1	1	1
Berklee College of Music	HC	1	1	0	0	0
Binghamton University	HC	1	0	0	0	0
Boston College	MC	7	1	3	0	1
Boston University	MC	5	2	2	1	0
Bowdoin College	MC	2	0	0	0	2
Brandeis University	HC	1	1	0	0	0
Bridgewater State University	C	1	1	0	0	0
Brown University	MC	2	1	1	0	0
Bryant University	VC	7	6	0	0	0
Bucknell University	MC	2	0	0	0	1
California University of Pennsylvania	C	1	1	0	0	0
Case Western Reserve University	MC	1	0	0	0	0
Castleton University	C	3	1	0	0	0
Central Connecticut State University	C	30	25	1	8	2
Chapman University	VC	1	0	1	0	0
Chatham University	VC	2	2	0	0	0
City University of New York	C	1	1	0	0	0
Clark University	HC	2	2	0	0	0
Clarkson University	HC	4	3	0	0	0
Clemson University	HC	4	2	1	0	0
Colby College	MC	3	2	0	1	0
Colby-Sawyer College	C	1	1	0	0	0
Colgate University	MC	2	1	0	0	0
College of William and Mary	MC	1	1	0	1	0
Colorado State University	VC	1	0	0	0	1
Columbia University	MC	2	0	1	0	1
Connecticut College	MC	2	1	1	0	0
Cornell University	MC	3	1	0	0	1
Curry College	LC	3	3	0	0	0
Dartmouth College	MC	2	1	1	1	1
DePaul University	VC	1	1	0	0	0
DeSales University	C	1	1	0	0	0
Drexel University	VC	3	1	0	0	1
Earlham College	VC	1	1	0	0	0
Eastern Connecticut State University	C	26	21	0	2	0

Eckerd College	VC	1	1	0	1	0
Elms College	VC	1	1	0	0	0
Elon University	VC	1	1	0	1	0
Emerson College	HC	3	3	0	0	0
Emmanuel College	VC	4	3	0	0	0
Emory University	MC	1	1	0	0	0
Endicott College	VC	3	3	0	1	0
Fairfield University	VC	4	3	0	2	0
Florida Atlantic University	C	1	1	0	1	0
Florida Gulf Coast University	C	1	1	0	0	0
Fordham University - Lincoln Center Campus/Rose Hill Campus	HC	3	1	2	0	0
Franklin Pierce University	C	1	0	0	0	0
Georgetown University	MC	3	0	3	0	2
Georgia Institute of Technology	MC	1	0	0	0	1
Gettysburg College	HC	1	1	0	0	0
Goodwin College	LC	1	1	0	0	0
Hamilton College - NY	MC	1	1	0	0	0
Hampshire College	MC	1	1	0	0	0
Hartwick College	C	1	1	0	0	0
Harvard University	MC	1	0	0	0	0
High Point University	C	1	1	0	0	0
Hofstra University	VC	9	9	0	1	0
Iona College	C	2	1	0	0	0
Ithaca College	HC	3	2	0	1	0
Johns Hopkins University	MC	2	0	2	0	0
Johnson & Wales University (Providence)	C	1	1	0	0	0
Keene State College	C	11	9	0	3	0
La Salle University	C	4	3	0	0	0
Lasell College	LC	2	2	0	0	0
Lehigh University	HC	1	0	0	0	0
Lesley University	C	2	2	0	0	0
Lincoln Technical Institute	S	1	1	0	1	0
Loyola University Maryland	VC	4	3	0	0	0
Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts	S	1	1	0	0	0
Lyndon State College	C	1	1	0	1	0
Maine Maritime Academy	C	1	1	0	1	0
Manhattanville College	VC	1	0	0	0	0
Marist College	C	8	2	0	1	5
Marymount Manhattan College	VC	1	1	0	1	0
Massachusetts Maritime Academy	C	1	0	1	0	0
McGill University	MC	0	0	0	0	0
MCPHS - Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences	S	1	1	0	0	0
Merrimack College	C	4	3	0	0	0
Miami University, Oxford	HC	1	1	0	0	0

Middlebury College	MC	1	1	0	0	0
Middlesex Community College	NC	24	24	0	22	0
Mitchell College	C	3	1	0	0	0
Monmouth University	C	3	2	0	0	0
Montclair State University	C	1	1	0	0	0
Mount Holyoke College	MC	1	1	0	0	0
Muhlenberg College	HC	1	0	0	0	1
New England College	MC	1	1	0	0	0
New York Institute of Technology	VC	1	1	0	0	0
New York University	MC	1	0	1	0	0
Nichols College	LC	4	3	0	0	0
North Carolina State University	HC	4	0	3	0	0
Northeastern University	MC	12	6	1	0	1
Northwestern University	MC	1	0	1	0	0
Old Dominion University	C	1	0	0	0	0
Pace University, New York City	VC	6	5	0	0	0
Pace University, Westchester Campus	VC	1	1	0	0	0
Pennsylvania College of Technology	NC	1	1	0	1	0
Pennsylvania State University - All Campuses	VC	4	3	0	2	0
Plymouth State University	LC	4	2	0	0	0
Princeton University	MC	1	0	1	0	0
Providence College	VC	3	1	0	0	1
Purdue University	HC	1	0	1	0	0
Quinnipiac University	VC	13	9	0	0	1
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	MC	7	4	0	0	0
Rhode Island College	LC	1	1	0	0	0
Rice University	MC	1	0	0	0	1
Rider University	C	1	0	0	0	0
Ringling College of Art and Design	S	1	1	0	0	0
Rivier University	VC	1	1	0	0	0
Roanoke College	C	2	2	0	0	0
Rochester Institute of Technology	VC	5	3	0	0	1
Roger Williams University	VC	11	7	0	1	0
Rutgers University - Camden	VC	1	0	0	0	0
Rutgers University-New Brunswick	VC	5	3	0	0	0
Sacred Heart University	VC	3	0	0	0	0
Saint Anselm College	VC	1	0	0	0	0
Saint Joseph's University	VC	1	1	0	1	0
Saint Michael's College	VC	4	2	0	1	0
Salisbury University	VC	1	1	0	0	0
Salve Regina University	VC	6	4	0	1	0
Savannah College of Art and Design	S	1	1	0	1	0
Siena College	VC	4	3	0	0	0
Simmons College	VC	1	1	0	0	0
Southern Connecticut State University	C	18	15	0	3	0

Southern New Hampshire University	C	2	0	0	0	0
Southern Vermont College	LC	1	0	0	0	0
Springfield College	C	5	4	1	2	0
Springfield Technical Community College	NC	1	1	0	1	0
St. John's University - Queens Campus	C	2	1	0	0	0
Stevens Institute of Technology	HC	2	1	0	0	1
Stonehill College	VC	5	3	0	0	0
Stony Brook University	HC	4	3	0	0	0
Suffolk University	C	2	2	0	0	0
SUNY College at Geneseo	HC	1	1	0	0	0
SUNY College at Potsdam	C	2	1	0	0	0
SUNY Maritime College	C	1	0	0	0	1
Syracuse University	VC	2	2	0	0	0
Temple University	VC	4	3	0	0	1
Texas A&M University	VC	1	1	0	1	0
The College of New Jersey	HC	3	2	0	0	0
The George Washington University	MC	2	2	0	2	0
The Ohio State University	MC	1	1	0	1	0
The University of Akron	C	1	1	0	0	0
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	MC	1	0	1	0	0
The University of Tampa	VC	2	1	0	0	0
The University of Texas, Austin	HC	1	0	1	0	0
Trinity College	HC	1	1	0	0	0
Tufts University	MC	4	0	0	0	0
Union College	MC	2	1	0	1	0
United States Merchant Marine Academy	HC	1	0	0	0	0
Unity College	C	1	1	0	0	0
University of California, Berkeley	MC	2	0	0	0	1
University of California, Los Angeles	MC	1	0	1	0	0
University of California, Santa Cruz	VC	1	0	1	0	0
University of Chicago	MC	1	0	0	0	1
University of Cincinnati	VC	1	1	0	0	0
University of Colorado at Boulder	VC	3	1	0	0	0
University of Connecticut	HC	58	45	2	24	4
University of Delaware	VC	4	0	0	0	1
University of Hartford	C	4	3	0	0	0
University of Hawaii at Manoa	VC	1	1	0	0	0
University of Maine	C	6	6	0	2	0
University of Maryland, College Park	HC	4	3	0	0	0
University of Massachusetts, Amherst	VC	13	7	0	1	2
University of Massachusetts, Boston	VC	1	1	0	0	0
University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	C	1	0	0	0	0
University of Massachusetts, Lowell	C	1	1	0	0	0
University of Michigan	HC	2	1	0	0	3
University of Mississippi	C	1	1	0	0	0

University of Nevada, Las Vegas	C	1	0	0	0	0
University of New England	C	2	2	0	0	0
University of New Hampshire at Durham	VC	17	16	0	5	1
University of New Haven	C	12	10	0	5	0
University of North Carolina at Asheville	VC	1	1	0	0	0
University of North Carolina at Charlotte	C	2	0	1	0	0
University of North Carolina at Wilmington	VC	2	1	0	0	0
University of Pennsylvania	MC	2	1	1	0	0
University of Pittsburgh	HC	1	1	0	0	0
University of Rhode Island	C	31	24	0	6	1
University of Richmond	MC	1	0	0	0	1
University of Rochester	MC	2	1	0	1	0
University of Saint Joseph	C	1	1	0	1	0
University of South Carolina	VC	2	2	0	0	0
University of Southern California	MC	1	0	1	0	0
University of Southern Maine	C	3	2	0	0	0
University of St Andrews	MC	1	1	0	0	0
University of Vermont	VC	16	11	1	1	0
University of Virginia	MC	3	0	2	0	0
Utica College	C	1	1	0	1	0
Vanderbilt University	MC	1	0	1	0	0
Vassar College	MC	1	1	0	1	0
Villanova University	MC	3	2	0	1	1
Virginia Commonwealth University	C	1	1	0	0	0
Virginia Tech	HC	2	1	0	0	0
Wagner College	C	1	0	0	0	0
Washington College	VC	2	2	0	0	0
Washington State University	C	1	1	0	0	0
Wentworth Institute of Technology	C	5	4	0	1	0
Wesleyan University	MC	2	0	0	0	0
West Virginia University	C	1	1	0	1	0
Western Connecticut State University	C	8	6	0	1	0
Western New England University	C	7	4	0	0	0
Westfield State University	C	1	1	0	0	0
Wheaton College MA	HC	4	2	0	0	0
Wilkes University	C	1	0	0	0	0
Williams College	MC	1	0	0	0	1
Winthrop University	VC	1	1	0	0	0
Worcester Polytechnic Institute	HC	8	3	1	1	2
Yale University	MC	4	1	3	1	1
		728	486	47	126	52