

Junior College Planning

January 2021 - Research

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Time to Research

- ▶ Do some self-reflection
- ▶ Explore your options
- ▶ Check out virtual visits/info sessions until you can visit campuses
- ▶ Start connecting with admissions representatives (spring virtual visits starting soon – check Naviance!)
- ▶ Really learn about the schools you are considering
 - ▶ Admission requirements, acceptance rates, majors/programs offered, retention and graduation rates, culture of the student body, research opportunities, location, size, etc.

Naviance

- ▶ Utilize for research – view historical acceptance data, read counselor notes, check the overlaps
- ▶ Ensure that ALL schools you are thinking about/wanting to research are listed in your account (“**colleges I’m thinking about**”)
- ▶ Next year you will use Naviance to request transcripts and invite teachers to write letters of recommendation



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- New Student Registration
- A+ Program
- + Testing (ACT, PSAT, AP)
- Senior Class
- Junior Class
- Sophomore Class

Parkway Central Counseling Department

CONTACTING PCH COUNSELING

Counseling Phone Number: 314-415-7915 (currently working virtually through 10/23)

College admission representatives can now go to <https://repvisits.com> to schedule a virtual appointment with our high school.
***NOTE: We are virtual through Oct 23, so visits beyond that date have not yet been established.*

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 **NCAA Research** ✓
@NCAAResearch

2021 HS grads: No ACT/SAT score will be required for DI or DII initial eligibility.

Over the coming year, NCAA members will conduct a broad review of the continued use of ACT/SAT scores in NCAA initial eligibility standards.

Read more on ncaa.com/tghk2



NCAA Eligibility ...
Students who initi...
ncaa.org



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Parent or
Guardian



Alumni




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Central High School
Parkway School District, MO

Parkway School District

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Log in with Google

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Upcoming Virtual Rep Visits

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MORE SEARCH OPTIONS

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- Colleges I'm applying to
- Letters of recommendation

COLLEGE RESEARCH

College Visits

Search for colleges

SEPTEMBER Wed 09 08:40AM	Southern Methodist University PCH Counseling; Virtual Visit (Link available at visit time)	Register Now View Details
SEPTEMBER Wed 09 09:20AM	University of Iowa PCH Counseling; Virtual Visit (Link available at visit time)	Register Now View Details
SEPTEMBER Thu 10 11:55AM	DePauw University PCH Counseling; Virtual Visit (Link available at visit time)	Register Now View Details
SEPTEMBER Fri 11 09:20AM	University of Notre Dame PCH Counseling; Virtual Visit (Link available at visit time)	Register Now View Details
SEPTEMBER Wed 16 08:40AM	George Washington University PCH Counseling; Virtual Visit (Link available at visit time)	Register Now View Details
SEPTEMBER Wed 16 11:30AM	Saint Louis University PCH Counseling; Virtual Visit (Link available at visit time)	Register Now View Details

Finding the Right “Fit” ...

▶ **Academic Fit**

- ▶ Class sizes, tutoring/learning resources, too competitive or not challenging enough
- ▶ In what type of environment do you learn best? How do you advocate for yourself as a learner? Do you prefer to blend into the crowd, or be noticed by your teachers/peers?

▶ **Social Fit**

- ▶ Aside from academics, what do you need to ensure you are also comfortable, happy and engaged on campus and in the surrounding community?
- ▶ Consider following the school on social media to figure out if it's a good fit for you

▶ **Financial Fit**

- ▶ Do you have a budget for college? How much can realistically be contributed “out-of-pocket”? Are you willing to take out loans and incur debt for your undergrad?
- ▶ Are you planning for grad or professional school and need to consider that in your budget?

Your Final List

- ▶ Ultimately try to narrow your list to around 6-8 schools **by the end of this summer**
- ▶ Your final list should have a range of options
 - ▶ Safe
 - ▶ Reasonable
 - ▶ Reach
- ▶ If you are applying to a school, you should be happy to attend that school!

Defining “Reach” ...

- ▶ These are the top choices, but ones that are less likely to accept the student. This may be because the student's qualifications match or fall slightly short of the college's average, and the competition for the limited places in the freshman class is intense. Students should have one or two colleges in this category.

Academic Reach

Financial Reach

Statistical Reach

Acceptance Rates at Some Highly Selective Schools

College/University	2020	College/University	2020
Stanford University	4.30%	Duke University	7.70%
Harvard University	5.00%	Dartmouth College	8.80%
Columbia University	6.30%	Swarthmore College	8.80%
Princeton University	5.80%	Rice University	9.00%
University of Chicago	6.20%	Northwestern University	9.00%
California Institute of Technology	6.20%	University of Pennsylvania	9.00%
Yale University	6.50%	Bowdoin College	9.20%
Brown University	6.90%	Claremont McKenna	10.30%
Johns Hopkins University	7.10%	Cornell University	10.90%
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	7.30%	Vanderbilt University	11.10%
Pomona University	7.40%	New York University	15.00%



What does that mean?

- ▶ **Less than 5-15% of applicants were admitted (more painfully stated → 85-95%+ denied 😞)
- ▶ **Most applicants are **highly qualified** – they could fill their freshman class over and over...
- ▶ There are no “slam dunks” in this category!
- ▶ You cannot predict, nor determine admissions at many schools, but you can evaluate whether you might be considered a **competitive applicant**.

	2020 applicants	2020 accepted
Harvard	40,248	1,980
Columbia	42,569	2,247
Princeton	32,835	1,848
Yale	35,220	2,324
Brown	36,793	2,833
MIT	20,075	1,457
U. of Penn	42,205	3,404
Duke	36,252	2,170
Dartmouth	21,392	1,973
Swarthmore	11,600	1,023
Cornell	51,500	5,514
Amherst	10,601	1,244
Williams	9,715	1,224

Holistic Review

▶ Holistic Review

- ▶ No “formula” to gain admissions
- ▶ Only publish the **average** academic profile of current freshman class
- ▶ Student often file includes more than transcript and test scores
 - ▶ Resume, essay(s), special talents, demonstrated interest, recommendation letters
 - ▶ Additional factors are often very subjective in nature
- ▶ Holistic review would be used when applying test optional to many of the colleges offering guaranteed/calculated admissions



Applications Received

43,891

Offered Admission

11%

Middle 50% Converted
SAT

1410-1510

Female to Male
Students

3:2

Middle 50% ACT

31-33

International Students

9%

Students of Color

24%

UCLA freshman admission profile

Admit rate — Overall **14.1%**

> Admits **16,020**

> Applicants **113,748**

> California Residents (% of admits) **54.5%**

GPA and test scores of middle 25%-75% students

> High School GPA **4.16 - 4.31**

> ACT Composite Score **31 - 35**



INDIANA UNIVERSITY BLOOMINGTON

Admissions criterion	Range	Average/Median
GPA	3.61-4.00	3.90
SAT scores (Math and Evidence-Based Reading and Writing)	1160-1370	1268
ACT scores (Composite)	25-32	28

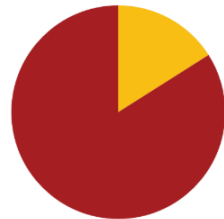


Washington University in St. Louis

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS

32-35

Middle 50% ACT Score



15% Overall Admit Rate
42% Early Decision Admit Rate
13% Regular Decision Admit Rate



UNIVERSITY OF
MICHIGAN

2020 Entering Class Test Scores
Average Unweighted GPA

3.9

Mid 50th% range

ACT 32-35

Guaranteed Admissions

▶ **Guaranteed/Calculated**

- ▶ Admission requirements are published
- ▶ If you meet/exceed requirements, you are admitted

- ▶ NO GUESSING!

Guaranteed

Missouri State.

GPA (on a 4.00 scale)	ACT Composite
3.50 or higher	17
3.41 to 3.49	18
3.25 to 3.40	19
3.04 to 3.24	20
2.85 to 3.03	21
2.63 to 2.84	22
2.50 to 2.62	23

Below 2.50

Not admissible

ACT	SAT	Core GPA
24+	1160+	2.0+
23	1130–1150	2.80
22	1100–1120	2.90
21	1060–1090	3.05
20	1030–1050	3.20
19	990-1020	3.35
18	960-980	3.50
17	920-950	3.65



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Undergraduate Admissions

Assured admission criteria:

- 21+ ACT (1060+ SAT*) and 3.25+ GPA or 24+ ACT (1160+ SAT*) and 3.0+ GPA AND 2.5+ for out-of-state students in a [college-prep curriculum](#)
- If applicable, achieve a 2.0+ GPA on any college credit taken in high school

Cumulative HS GPA on a 4.0 Scale	ACT Composite or Superscore*	SAT (ERW+M) or Superscore*
3.5+	and No ACT or <18	or No SAT or <940
2.75+	and 18+	or 940+
2.5+	and 19+	or 980+
2.0+	and 21+	or 1060+

Consider the A+ Program

- ▶ The community college is **GUARANTEED ADMISSIONS** for all high school graduates!
- ▶ The Missouri A+ Scholarship Program provides scholarship funds to eligible graduates who attend a participating community college or vocational/technical school.
- ▶ Why join?
 - ▶ Complete either an Associates Degree for “free”
 - ▶ Take all core general education requirements for “free” and then transfer to finish Bachelors Degree
 - ▶ Use as an “Insurance Policy”
- ▶ Complete the A+ Interest Form on the PCH A+ website and then follow instructions sent via email to enroll.
 - ▶ See website for eligibility details

Overwhelmed?

- ▶ Start researching colleges by visiting their websites, doing virtual tours/info sessions, attending the virtual PCH rep visits
- ▶ Have college and budget conversations with your parents/guardians
- ▶ Schedule an appointment with me
- ▶ Follow **@PCH_Counseling** on Twitter
- ▶ Check out all of the resources on the [PCH Counseling](#) website and in [Naviance](#)
- ▶ Sign up for a **FREE** College Mentor and check out **FREE** workshops and **FREE** monthly presentations at [mentors4college.org](#)