

# Indiana Pre-Admissions

## What is the type of admissions redesign?

**Invitational Admissions:** High school students are proactively notified by a state postsecondary agency or system of their eligibility for admission to a four-year institution based on academic criteria and encouraged to apply without a guarantee of admission.

## In which state is it based?

Indiana

## What state postsecondary agency or system sponsors the program?

Indiana Commission of Higher Education

## When was the program first started?



2024

## Does the student or state agency/system initiate the admissions process?


The agency initiates the process by sending a letter to high-school seniors informing them of their eligibility for admission at specific institutions.

## What are the central characteristics of the program?

Seniors at participating high schools in Indiana receive an [introductory Indiana Pre-Admissions Letter](#) that informs them of the initiative and prepares them to expect the official letter. The [Indiana Pre-Admissions Official Letter](#) is sent to both high school seniors and their parent/guardian. It notifies them of their eligibility for admission to participating institutions within Indiana. Students can then submit applications to their pre-admitted institutions for official admission. However, students must maintain their GPAs above certain thresholds during senior year, not have disciplinary occurrences, meet any additional institution – or program-specific admissions caveats, and graduate from high school with at least a Core 40 diploma. Beginning with the Class of 2029, students must earn at least the Indiana diploma.

 <p><b>Program Scope</b></p>	Does the program include <b>all high school districts or only a portion</b> ? Is <b>opt-in</b> required?	High schools indicate participation via a survey.
	Does the program support admission to <b>four-year institutions, two-year institutions, or both</b> ?	Both four-year and two-year institutions participate.
	<b>Which institutions</b> are participating in the program?	There are 40 Indiana public and private campuses participating in the Indiana Pre-Admissions initiative for the Class of 2026, including both two- and four-year institutions.
 <p><b>Eligibility Criteria and Application</b></p>	What are the <b>academic eligibility criteria</b> for students?	Indiana Pre-Admissions campuses offer students the chance to be pre-admitted using their cumulative GPAs through junior year and/or their SAT score. Criteria vary by institution.
	Are students <b>still required to apply</b> to postsecondary institutions?	Yes – they need to complete the typical application process.
	Is the <b>application fee waived</b> ?	Some institutions always have free applications, while others waive application fees during College Application Week.

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 <p><b>Data and Policy</b></p>	<p>What is the <b>data source</b> for the program?</p>	<p>Participating high schools upload partial Graduation Details (preliminary GPAs) for students to Scholar Track. The Indiana Commission for Higher Education receives SAT scores from the Indiana Department of Education and uploads them to ScholarTrack.<sup>1</sup> The Indiana Pre-Admissions Official Letter lists the schools that students have been pre-admitted to; students can also see these schools through their ScholarTrack accounts.</p>
	<p>Did the state or system <b>adopt policy</b> related to the program, and if so what does the policy include?</p>	<p>No legislation is directly tied to the program – it was launched by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education.</p>

Information above is up to date as of December 2025

<sup>1</sup>Scholartrack is the one-stop shop for Indiana state financial aid needs, including the 21st Century Scholars program and other need- and merit-based financial aid: <https://ingov.sharepoint.com/:p:/r/sites/CHEK-12Strategy-Pre-Admissions/Shared%20Documents/Pre-Admissions/Presentations/Class%20of%202026/Pre-Admissions%20Webinar%20October%202025.pptx?d=wd654d87ebf864cfd97654e5b3c82c5c1&csf=1&web=1&e=wMNYb2>