



The Leader in College
Admissions Counseling

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Our *personalized* approach

At Top Tier Admissions, there's no formula. We see each student's unique potential and work closely with them to craft a tailored, one-of-a-kind college admissions strategy for a competitive edge. For over 20 years, our expert team has crafted personalized admissions strategies for elite schools with extraordinary results.

We work with select families around the world, advising ambitious students from grade 4 to graduate school.

Our Signature Program: Private Counseling

For over 20 years, our top college admissions experts have guided a select number of students along their admissions journeys to their dream schools. Our private, platinum program offers unlimited one-on-one counseling to support students and their families through every stage of their admissions.

Each student is carefully matched with a Top Tier Senior Private Counselor who works as a mentor and coach to help identify their strengths, challenges, and interests and supports them in choosing courses and extracurricular activities. Along with their personal Private Counselor, Top Tier students have access to our full team of experts who become caring, supportive mentors and partners throughout the admissions process.

The Private Counseling Program begins with a Personalized Admissions Report and concrete action plan. Using this personalized roadmap, Top Tier Admissions students turn ideas into meaningful actions to deepen their authentic academic stories. This approach gives them the tools to stand out and get into top colleges and universities—and serves them well for the rest of their lives. Top Tier Admissions alumni go on to earn Fulbright awards, attend prestigious graduate programs, and land jobs at the most influential global companies.



Our premier service: *Private Counseling*

UNLIMITED ONE-ON-ONE SUPPORT

Each student will have unlimited access to their Top Tier Senior Private Counselor from the moment they enroll until high school graduation.

PERSONALIZED GUIDANCE

Every student is unique. Our premier counselors mentor your student to channel their authentic academic interests and select high impact activities and initiatives.

A DEDICATED TEAM

Our collaborative team of experts serves as a brain trust for your child, providing unmatched experience and perspective throughout their journey. Each student's application is read by multiple team members, "admissions committee" style.



The college admissions landscape can feel overwhelming, but with the right counsel, it can be an opportunity for students to achieve their full potential and reach their goals. Working with Top Tier Admissions helps students navigate the path to success and their dream schools. We launch each of our Private Counseling programs with a *Personalized Admissions Report*.

The Personalized Report includes:

- **High School Grades & Courses:** We teach students how admissions officers will assess their transcripts, and identify and suggest solutions for potential red flags. We also help students identify course work that will help them the most in the admissions process.
- **Extracurricular Activities & Summer Plans:** We work with each student to pinpoint their primary areas of academic interest and identify high-impact opportunities, programs, research labs, and unique civic engagement initiatives. Students receive personalized, clearly outlined actionable lists of options to pursue.
- **Standardized Testing:** We create a personalized testing plan to maximize a student's competitive edge.
- **Application Strategy:** We assess students' odds of admission at their target schools and suggest similar colleges that the student might not have considered.
- **Sample Application Materials:** We include a collection of sample application materials in a student's area of interest to give them an idea of how their work might come together in a college application.



More *specialty* programs

Beyond Private Counseling, Top Tier Admissions offers a range of competitive programs to support students throughout their academic journey.

Each of our specialty programs is fully customized to each student's individual needs.

Available by phone, email, or virtual meetings

TUTORING

Academic Tutoring

Academic support from professional tutors, tailored to your child's specific needs.

Grades: 4-12

ACT Tutoring

Exclusive access to the best ACT tutors in the U.S.

Grades: 8-12

AP Exam Tutoring

Customized tutoring programs for every AP subject.

Grades: 9-12

Executive Functioning Tutoring & ADHD Support

Personalized support to develop and strengthen students' strategies for successful planning, assignment completion, and time management.

Grades: 4-12

SAT Tutoring

Step-by-step SAT prep and test strategy development with the best SAT tutors in the U.S.

Grades: 8-12

Writing Guidance Program

Our writing counselors provide targeted support with academic writing projects, including in-school assignments and essay contest submissions.

Grades: 4-12





Application Boot Camp®

Application Boot Camp®

Intensive guidance for developing and polishing a compelling and strategic application package.

Grades: 11-12

Personal Boot Camp

Our Application Boot Camp® program on your schedule with one-on-one support and personalized guidance.

Grade: 11-12

What happens before Application Boot Camp®?

Families submit tuition to secure their student's seat in the program and then register on our secure ABC Membership Site, which includes:

- Access to our exclusive e-guides: *Ultimate Guide to Top High School Contests and Awards*, *Ultimate Guide to Top Summer Programs*, *Resource Guide*
- Timely guidance, reminders and notes from our team of experts throughout the year
- Your detailed Personalized Admissions Report filled with customized guidance on articulating and deepening an academic niche, extracurriculars, assessment of stats to date, testing plans, application strategy and so much MORE...

What happens during ABC?

- Work directly with Dr. Michele Hernandez, Mimi Doe, and the rest of our TTA team of experts to review and finalize the Common Application, including the List of 10 Extras/5 Awards
- Stay organized with our Supplemental Essay organizer and prepare a polished collection of essays using the ABC strategy
- Complete an Activity Sheet to submit with the Common Application
- Take part in interview training
- Attend lectures on subjects ranging from supplemental essays to handling deferrals and waitlists

What happens after ABC?

After ABC, we host (and record) a group Zoom Q&A session for all Boot Camp students and parents.

COLLEGE COUNSELING

Private Counseling

One-on-one unlimited counseling with one of our premier Private Counselors. Our most exclusive program, available for a select number of families each year.

Grades: 7-12

Essay Guidance

Expert support to help students brainstorm, select a topic, draw out compelling angles, and produce polished essays.

Grades: 11-12

Common Application 911

Guidance from admissions experts to maximize the Common Application and stand out.

Grades: 11-12

Application Review Program

A comprehensive review of your entire application for one top-choice school, including essays.

Grade: 12

Deferral/Denial Analysis & Guidance Program

Develop and launch an action plan to maximize chances of admission.

Grade: 12

Gap Year Guidance

Support in designing a meaningful gap or post-graduate (PG) year to prepare for success in college and beyond.

Grade: 12

TRANSFER COUNSELING

Transfer Analysis & Guidance

Transfer admissions review & report, plus 3 hours of essay guidance with our Transfer Specialist.

Grade: college students

Transfer Essay Program

Expert guidance on college transfer essays.

Grade: college students

GRAD SCHOOL COUNSELING

Graduate School Essay Guidance

Key guidance on graduate school essays and crafting the resume/curriculum vitae.

Grade: college students

Grad School Analysis & Guidance Program

Strategic guidance and application support for Master's, PhD, Business School, Medical School and Law School admissions.

Grade: college students

College Academic Counseling

Sharpen an academic area, define a clear research-based foundation, and take tangible steps to demonstrate scholarly achievements at the college level.

Grade: college students

Meet your *expert team*

Top Tier Admissions is an elite team of educators and former Ivy League admissions officers who work with your child to develop a personalized strategy for a highly competitive and changing admissions landscape.

20+
*years of
counseling*

10
*Ivy League
degrees*



Hear it from our families

“ On behalf of all four of us, I'd like to express deep gratitude to all the members of your team. We really appreciate all your help in the past several years. You not only helped L get into Cornell, but also helped lay a solid foundation for her future success. We will forever remember you and be grateful.”

I.J. & R.J., Private Counseling parents

“ I wanted to share that SHE GOT INTO PRINCETON! We are so happy for her. She worked super hard. She couldn't have done the application questions and created a niche without all of your support. Thank you so much for everything. We will forever be in gratitude.”

D.J., Application Boot Camp® parent

“ Top Tier was instrumental in bringing out my innate qualities and helping me build a plan to stand out among other competitive candidates. My original approach would have made me seem like just another applicant. Starting out early with a plan pre-freshman year was instrumental in helping me find my path. I couldn't have gotten into Duke Early Decision without the help of M and Top Tier who were with me every step of the way.”

S.D., Private Counseling student

Top Tier Admissions *by the numbers*

Our students increase their chances of admission to Ivy League schools by up to

7x

95%
of students
get into one or more of their top 2 colleges

100%
acceptance rate
at Amherst College, Boston University, Dartmouth College, Johns Hopkins University, Middlebury College, Swarthmore College, Vanderbilt University, and many more top schools

Our counselors have experience reviewing applications from over

245 colleges

worldwide

Our experts review and process over

600 applications

each year to design strategies that maximize students' time, abilities, and chances of success

Investing in your child's future pays off with Top Tier.

\$4+ million

was awarded last year in merit aid across our platinum programs:
Private Counseling and Application Boot Camp®.



Important questions to *kick-start* your family's college admissions journey...

Step 1: Questions for Students

- What are your current interests (in and out of school)?
- Where do you spend most of your time? Doing what?
- What would your teachers say about you?
- What is the most impressive project you've completed?

Step 2: Questions for Parents

- Go back to when your child was young. What qualities stood out? What were some of their earliest accomplishments? Any anecdotes that reveal how they became interested in things?
- What are or have been your child's major hobbies, interests, or commitments?
- Describe your child's personal qualities. How do you think others (friends, teachers, teammates, etc.) perceive your child?
- What are your child's strengths and weaknesses as a student? How motivated? How confident? How organized? How high an energy level?
- What do teachers say about your child?
- What do you hope to see out of the college selection and acceptance process? What plans or colleges have you discussed with your child so far?





We'd love to learn more about *your* student.

Hear how we can help top colleges
recognize their unique potential

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