# Livingston High School Report on Graduates Class of 2021

February 1, 2022

#### **Our Mission and Our Goal**

- → Our goal: the focus on the **right fit**, the specific pathway, for each student's goals and aspirations and how our counselors can help each student get there
- → Provide each student an **individualized** post-secondary search and application process
- → Using **data** from graduates and our current seniors to transform our work, with enhanced opportunities for support with the College Counseling programs

# **The Right Fit**



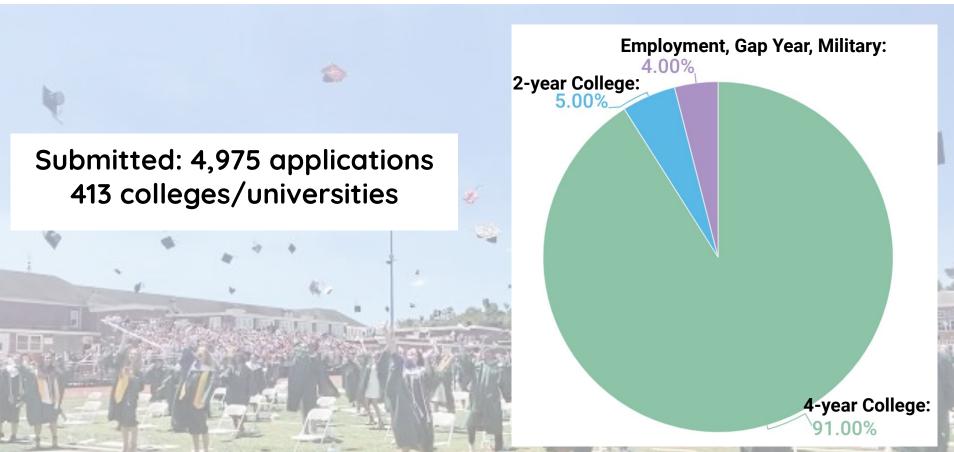
# The College Counselor at LHS

- Data and feedback from students, families and college admissions counselors to continue to improve our practices
- Student workshop offerings include:
  - College Application
     Bootcamps, The College
     Search, The College Essay,
     College Interviewing, College
     Resume Writing, SAT vs. ACT
     and Naviance workshops

- Multimedia: College Counseling Website, College of the Week, "Did You Know" College Series, Major of the Month, monthly Scholarship Spotlight, monthly College article with podcast
  - @livhs\_college
- Individual and small group post-secondary planning meetings with juniors and seniors
- ◆ College visits and outreach

# LHS Class of 2021 Highlights!

**464 Graduates** 

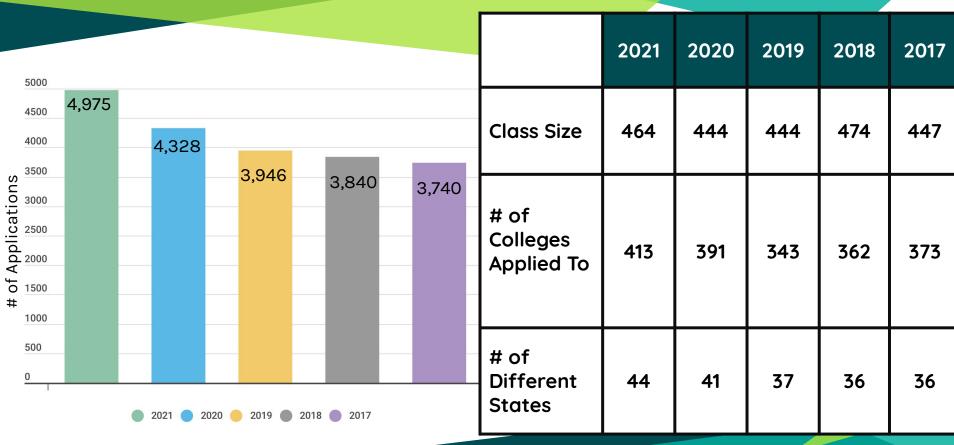


# Early Decision Application Data Class of 2021

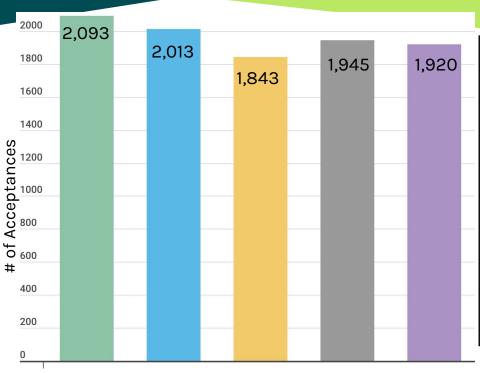
	# of Students who Applied (164)	# of Students Accepted (53)	% of Students Accepted (32.3%)	
EDI	118	37	31.4%	
EDII	46*	16	34.8%	

<sup>\*17</sup> students were denied Early Decision I and applied Early Decision II. Of those students, 8 were accepted to their Early Decision II institution.

# **Five Year Glance: Applications**



# Five Year Glance: Acceptances

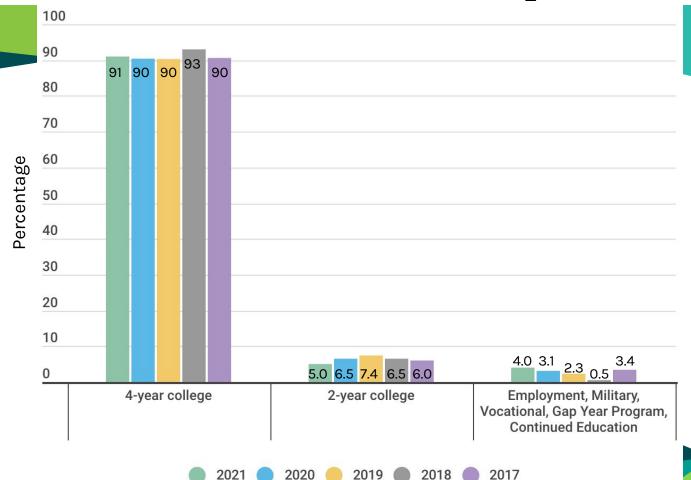


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-	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Class Size	464	444	444	474	447
# of Colleges	316	295	292	289	302
# of States	40	36	36	37	37

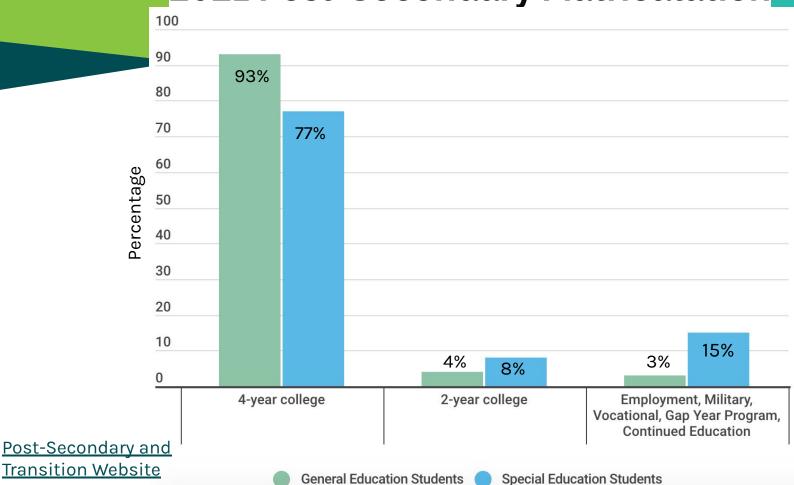
#### **Five Year Glance: Matriculation**

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	
Class Size	464	444	444	474	447	
# of Colleges	144	143 134		141	142	
# of States	28	31	30	29	33	

#### Five Year Glance: Post-Secondary Matriculation



#### 2021 Post-Secondary Matriculation



# **Our Takeaways**

- → Consistency of 4-year college matriculation, especially during the context of the pandemic the past two years
- → **Increase** in the number of different schools students are applying to
- → Feedback from students provide evidence that they are **seeking their passion**

# 4-Year College Matriculation Selectivity\* Trends

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Most Selective	41.5%	34.1%	41.0%	39.4%	37.8%
Very Selective	36.3%	39.1%	35.2%	36.4%	36.3%
Selective	14.1%	16.7%	18.9%	14.4%	14.0%
Not ranked	8.1%	10.1%	4.9%	9.8%	11.8%

<sup>\*</sup>Selectivity data based on Rugg's Recommendations: College Rankings & College Ratings

# LHS Class of 2021 Highlights!

316 different

institutions

<u>45</u>

<u>16</u>

144 different

institutions

39

33

	Applied	Accepted	Attending		

National Universities

Liberal Arts Colleges

Rankings (Top 50)

Rankings (Top 50)

Top Public Schools

Rankings (Top 50)

413 different

institutions

<u>53</u>

<u>35</u>

50

\*Rankings and categories based on US News and World Report 2022 Best Colleges

#### Class of 2022 Snapshot

4,852 applications have been sent as of January 6, 2022.

November 15/

December 1

December-

February

355

1,944

March/ April

370

2,269

November

December/

January

75

80

ongoing

Ongoing

238

407

	Average number of applications per student: 11.7								
Application Type	Early Decision I	Early Decision II	Early Action (REA, EAI, EAII)	Rolling	Priority	Regular Decision			
Application	November 1/	December	November 1/	August →	October/	January			

/January

February/

March

28

28

deadlines

**Decisions** 

Students

who have applied

Total

**Applications** 

November 15

December/

January

124

124

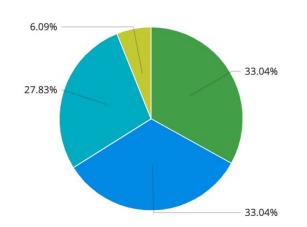
#### **From Our Graduates**



- → College Counseling workshops for 10th and 11th grade students: November through the Spring
- → Individual and follow up 11th grade meetings with College Counselor

#### **From Our Graduates**

For Seniors who applied to more than 10 colleges/universities, the following responses show the reasons for the amount of applications they submitted:

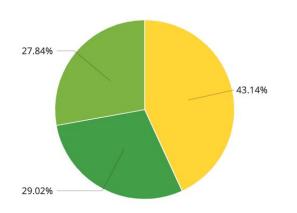


- I applied to selective programs or institutions and felt the need to apply to many in order to have choice
- I was interested in attending each of the colleges/universities I applied to
- I wanted to see where I could be accepted
- Other

- → 228 students applied to more than 10 schools
- → Our focus is on the group of students who are applying to see if they will be accepted:
  - Additional College Search workshops
  - Small group and individual meetings with juniors and seniors to drill into list of colleges applying to at a greater capacity
  - SAT vs. ACT workshops that also focus on the current test-optional landscape

#### **From Our Graduates**

Graduate responses showing how they utilized scholarship opportunities:



- I did not apply for scholarships
- Yes, through the LHS Scholarships & Awards Program
- Yes, through scholarships outside of LHS (i.e. scholarships posted in Naviance, shared by a counselor, nominated for by a counselor, found independently online, etc.)

→ 12% decrease in the number of students who applied for scholarships

In response to this, we are:

- Hosting scholarship workshops for seniors
- → Promoting scholarship opportunities more frequently: Schoology, Naviance, Twitter, Instagram
- → Scholarship Spotlight series to highlight, remind and promote the various resources available to apply for scholarships

#### **Student Feedback Highlights**

#### Top Trends in Student feedback from Class of 2021 in Graduate Survey

Most valuable programs and support through the post-secondary process:

- College Visits
- Individual Counselor meetings
- Naviance
- College & Career Fair

#### Student suggestions for what could be more helpful:

- More opportunities to connect with a counselor
- Promote scholarship opportunities
- Celebrate non-4 year college opportunities and decisions, such as gap year programs

# Goals for Enhancing our Post-Secondary Planning and Supports to Students

- → Evaluate our enhanced College Counseling programming this year based on student, parent and counselor feedback from the Class of 2022.
- → Alumni series for current sophomores, juniors and seniors launching Spring 2022.
- Increase promotion of scholarship opportunities: Scholarship Workshops, Monthly Scholarship Spotlight, Twitter, Instagram.
- → Evaluate and implement feedback from our parent graduate survey responses (sent December 2021).