

The High School

Total Enrollment: 1,920
 Certified Staff: 160
 Graduation Rate: 85.4%
 State Average: 83%

The Class of 2010 earned over \$4.8 million in college scholarships.

The Curriculum

Graduation Requirements (20.00 Credits)

4.00 units English
 3.00 units Social Studies
 3.00 units Math
 3.00 units Science
 0.50 unit Health
 0.50 unit Physical Education
 1.00 unit Fine Arts, Business/Technology, Career Prep, Foreign Language (*One credit must be completed in any combination of these subjects.*)
 5.00 units Additional Credits

Advanced Placement Courses

AP Biology
 AP Calculus AB
 AP Chemistry
 AP Economics-Macro
 AP Economics-Micro
 AP English Language & Composition
 AP English Literature & Composition
 AP French Language
 AP German Language
 AP Government
 AP Music Theory
 AP Physics C Mechanics
 AP Psychology
 AP Spanish Language
 AP Statistics
 AP Studio Art
 AP United States History

AP Report (May 2010)

62% of 244 exams taken by 152 students received a passing score of 3 or above on a 5-point scale.

Small Schools of Heights High

Cleveland Heights High School operates within five separate learning communities to maximize the District's focus on academic success for all students. The goal of the Small Schools program is to improve student achievement—to increase the number of students who graduate, attend college, score well on standardized tests, take the most advanced classes available, participate in leadership programs, and view school as an engaging place to learn. Research has shown that students learn more, and achieve at higher rates, within more personal settings.



Legacy School
 Principal: Marc Engolia



Mosaic Experience
 Principal: Nicholas Petty



P.R.I.D.E. School
 Principal: Joseph Nohra



R.E.A.L. School
 Principal: Marc Aden



Renaissance School
 Principal: James Reed

College Admissions Test Scores

SAT Scores – Class of 2010

	Reading	Writing	Math
Heights Top Quarter	590	560	550
Heights Mean	500	469	485
National Mean	501	492	516

ACT Scores – Class of 2010

	Composite
Heights Average	19.4
State Average	21.8
National Average	21.0

High School Scholars

National Merit Scholarship – Class of 2010

1 Recipient
 1 Finalist
 1 Semifinalist
 2 Commended

National Achievement Scholarship – Class of 2010

1 Finalist
 1 Semifinalist
 2 Outstanding Participants

The Board of Education

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The Community

The Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District serves two adjoining cities of Cleveland Heights and University Heights and a portion of South Euclid in Northeastern Ohio. These multicultural communities, proud of their diverse racial and religious heritage, have maintained a small town, friendly atmosphere while being in close proximity to numerous medical, cultural, and academic institutions. The two cities are minutes away from downtown Cleveland's cultural centers such as the Cleveland Museum of Art, the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, The Great Lakes Science Center and Playhouse Square. Many nearby academic institutions including John Carroll University, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland State University and Cuyahoga Community College offer an enriched academic environment.

Cleveland Heights Population: 50,750
 University Heights Population: 14,000

Heights Graduates Are College-Bound

STUDENTS HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED TO THE FOLLOWING SCHOOLS, COLLEGES, AND UNIVERSITIES:

COLLEGE	2008	2009	2010	COLLEGE	2008	2009	2010	COLLEGE	2008	2009	2010
Adrian College			•	Hope College			•	Southern Illinois University			•
Akron Institute			•	Howard University	•		•	Southwest Baptist University			•
Alabama State University	•		•	Indiana Institute of Technology	•		•	Special Task Force Program			•
Alfred University			•	Indiana University at Bloomington	•		•	Spelman College			•
Allegheny College	•		•	Indiana University at Pennsylvania	•		•	St. Olaf College			•
Alliant International University			•	Indiana University-Purdue-Ft. Wayne	•		•	Stanford University			•
American Jewish University/Indiana University			•	Iowa State University of Science & Technology	•		•	State Fair Community College			•
American University	•		•	Iowa Western University	•		•	State University of New York			•
Arcadia University			•	Rhaca College	•		•	Stauzenburger Community College			•
Arizona State University			•	Ivy Tech Community College			•	Swarthmore College			•
Armstrong Atlantic State University			•	John Carroll University	•		•	Syracuse University			•
Art Institute of Pittsburgh	•		•	Johns Hopkins University			•	Tennessee State University			•
Ashland University	•		•	Kalamazoo College	•		•	Texas College			•
Ashworth College			•	Kent State University	•		•	Texas Southern University			•
Baldwin-Wallace College	•		•	Kentucky State University	•		•	Texas Tech University			•
Ball State University	•		•	Kenyon College			•	Thiel College			•
Baran Institute	•		•	Lake Erie College			•	Tiffin University			•
Beloit College			•	Lakeland Community College			•	Towson State University			•
Bennington College	•		•	LaRoche College			•	Trinity International University			•
Bethune-Cookman College	•		•	Lehigh University			•	Tulane University			•
Bluffton University	•		•	Lewis & Clark College	•		•	Union College			•
Boston College	•		•	Liberty University			•	United States Air Force			•
Boston University	•		•	Lincoln Technical Institute			•	United States Marine Corps			•
Bowie State University	•		•	Lincoln University	•		•	United States Navy			•
Bowling Green State University	•		•	Loyola University of Chicago	•		•	University of Akron			•
Brown University	•		•	Lynchburg College	•		•	University of Alabama at Birmingham			•
Bryant & Stratton Business Institute	•		•	Macalester College	•		•	University of Albany			•
California College of Arts & Crafts	•		•	Marietta College	•		•	University of Charleston			•
California Institute of Technology	•		•	Marquette University	•		•	University of Chicago			•
Capital University	•		•	Maryland Institute, College of Art	•		•	University of Cincinnati			•
Carleton College	•		•	Marymount Manhattan College	•		•	University of the Cumberland			•
Carnegie Mellon University	•		•	Massachusetts College of Art	•		•	University of Dayton			•
Case Western Reserve University	•		•	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	•		•	University of Evansville			•
Central Lakes Community College			•	McGill University	•		•	University of Findlay			•
Central State University	•		•	Menlo College	•		•	University of Hartford			•
Chaffey College	•		•	Mercyhurst College	•		•	University of Iowa			•
Clark Atlanta University	•		•	Miami University	•		•	University of Kansas			•
Cleveland Institute of Art	•		•	Michigan State University	•		•	University of Louisville			•
Cleveland Institute of Music	•		•	Miles College	•		•	University of Maryland College Park			•
Cleveland State University	•		•	Montgomery College	•		•	University of Massachusetts			•
Cleod Community College	•		•	Morehouse College	•		•	University of Michigan			•
Coastal Carolina University	•		•	Morgan State University	•		•	University of Minnesota			•
Coffeyville Community College	•		•	Morris Brown College	•		•	University of New Hampshire			•
College of Wooster	•		•	Mount Union College	•		•	University of North Carolina			•
Columbia College	•		•	Muskingum College	•		•	University of Northwestern Ohio			•
Columbia University	•		•	New York University	•		•	University of Oregon			•
Columbus College of Art and Design	•		•	North Carolina State University	•		•	University of Pennsylvania			•
Columbus State Community College	•		•	North Iowa Community College	•		•	University of Pittsburgh			•
Cornell University	•		•	Northeastern University	•		•	University of Puget Sound			•
Cuyahoga Community College	•		•	Northern Iowa University	•		•	University of Rio Grande			•
Dartmouth College	•		•	Northwestern University	•		•	University of Rochester			•
Defiance College	•		•	Northwood University	•		•	University of Scranton			•
Denison University	•		•	Notre Dame College of Ohio	•		•	University of Texas			•
DePaul University	•		•	Oberlin College	•		•	University of Toledo			•
DePauw University	•		•	Ohio Northern University	•		•	University of Vermont			•
Devry Institute of Technology	•		•	Ohio State University	•		•	University of Virginia			•
Dickenson College	•		•	Ohio Technical College	•		•	Urbana University			•
Dominican University	•		•	Ohio University	•		•	Ursuline College			•
Earlham College	•		•	Ohio Wesleyan University	•		•	Valdosta State University			•
Eastern Michigan University	•		•	Parsons School of Design	•		•	Vassar College			•
Eastern University	•		•	Pennsylvania Culinary Arts Institute	•		•	Virginia State University			•
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	•		•	Pennsylvania State University	•		•	Virginia Union University			•
Elizabeth City State University	•		•	Point Park University	•		•	Virginia Wesleyan College			•
Elmira College	•		•	Portland State University	•		•	Wake Forest University			•
Eton College	•		•	Prairie View A&M University	•		•	Walsh University			•
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	•		•	Pratt Institute	•		•	Washington University			•
Emory University	•		•	Princeton University	•		•	Washington and Jefferson University			•
Fairmont State College	•		•	Purdue University	•		•	Wesleyan University			•
Florida University	•		•	Rhode Island School of Design	•		•	Westminster College			•
Fordham University	•		•	Rhodes College	•		•	West Virginia University			•
Gannon University	•		•	Robert Morris College	•		•	West Virginia Wesleyan College			•
George Washington University	•		•	Rochester Institute of Technology	•		•	Wilberforce University			•
Georgetown University	•		•	Saint John's College	•		•	Wittenberg University			•
Gettysburg College	•		•	Saint John's University	•		•	Worcester Polytechnic Institute			•
Goshen College	•		•	Saint Lawrence University	•		•	Wright State University			•
Grambling State University	•		•	Salve Regina University	•		•	Xavier University			•
Greenville College	•		•	Savannah College of Art and Design	•		•	Yale University			•
Hampton University	•		•	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	•		•	Youngstown State University			•
Harvard University	•		•	Scottsdale Culinary Institute	•		•				
Heidelberg University	•		•	Seton Hall University	•		•				
Hendrix College	•		•	Seton Hill University	•		•				
Hiram College	•		•	Shawnee State University	•		•				
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	•		•	Simmons College	•		•				
Hocking Technical College	•		•	Simclair Community College	•		•				
Hofstra University	•		•	Skidmore College	•		•				
Holmes Community College	•		•	Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania	•		•				
Holy Cross College	•		•								

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Sample college application essay questions

University of Notre Dame: Sir Isaac Newton wrote, "If I have seen further, it is by standing on the shoulders of giants." As you consider your own academic pursuits for your collegiate career, whose work, past or present, would you choose to continue, and why?

Middlebury College: Middlebury values a sense of place and community in all forms. Please tell us about where you have grown up. How has it influenced you and your vision about the kind of college community you would like to join next year?

University of Virginia: Discuss something you secretly like but pretend not to or vice versa.

Morehouse College: Please write a brief essay about the person, place, or event that has had the greatest influence on your life, and what influence you expect Morehouse College to have on your life.

Southern Methodist University: Please share with us your definition of diversity and the role it has played in your own learning and development.

Colgate University: What would the title of your autobiography be, and why?

University of Michigan: Describe a setback that you have faced. How did you resolve it? How did the outcome affect you? If something similar happened in the future, how would you react?

Common Application: Choose one of the topics.

1. Evaluate a significant experience, achievement, risk you have taken, or ethical dilemma you have faced and describe its impact on you.
2. Discuss some issue of personal, local, national, or international concern and their importance to you.
3. Indicate a person who has been a significant influence on you, and describe that influence.
4. Describe a character in fiction, a historical character, or a creative work (as in art, music, science, etc.) that has had an influence on you and describe that influence.
5. A range of academic interests, personal perspectives, and life experiences adds much to the educational mix. Given your personal background, describe an experience that illustrates what you would bring to the diversity in a college community, or an encounter that illustrated the importance of diversity to you.

Sample college application essay questions (page 2)

Other commonly asked essay questions:

If you could travel through time and interview a prominent figure in the arts, politics, religion, or science, whom would you choose, and why?

Tell us about a teacher who has had a significant impact on your intellectual growth, and discuss that impact.

Ask and answer the one important question that you wish we had asked.

Explain why a particular day in the recent past continues to be important to you.

Some typical admissions policies

Early Action

Students who apply under a college's Early Action plan receive a decision before the standard response date but are not required to accept an offer of admission or to make a deposit prior to May 1. Most Early Action deadlines are in November, December, or January, with notification some weeks later. Approximately 200 colleges have Early Action plans. Students should be sure to read the college policy carefully. Some colleges have "single choice Early Action" plans. In these plans, colleges place some restrictions on the applicant's right to make applications to other Early Decision or Early Action plans.

Early Decision

Students who apply under Early Decision commit to enroll at the college if they are admitted and offered a satisfactory financial aid package. Application deadlines are usually in mid-November, with a mid- to late-December notification date. Approximately 230 colleges have an Early Decision plan. Some colleges have both an Early Decision and an Early Action plan.

Open Admissions

Under this policy, a college admits students without regard to conventional academic qualifications, such as taking appropriate high school subjects and receiving suitable high school grades and admission-test scores. Virtually all applicants with high school diplomas or the equivalent are accepted. Most community colleges practice open admissions, although many have requirements for certain programs—for example, nursing.

Rolling Admissions

In this frequently used procedure, a college considers each student's application as soon as all the required credentials, such as school record and test scores, have been received. The college usually notifies an applicant of its decision without delay. At many colleges, rolling admissions allow for early notification and work much like nonbinding Early Action programs.

Candidates Reply Date Agreement

A college subscribing to this agreement does not require applicants offered admission as first-year students to notify the college of their decision to attend (or to accept an offer of financial aid) before May 1 of the year the applicants apply. The purpose of the agreement is to give students time to hear from all the colleges to which they have applied before having to make a commitment to any of them.

Source: The College Board

Handout 4D

Should you apply under an Early Decision program?

What is Early Decision?

Some colleges have an Early Decision (ED) plan. Under this plan, a student submits his or her credentials early (usually by November 1 or November 15) and signs a statement (binding) that he or she will accept the college's offer of admission.

Who should apply for Early Decision?

Ideal candidates for ED should fit both of these profiles:

- You have researched colleges extensively (visited at least three or four) and are absolutely sure that College X is your first choice. If you are accepted under an Early Decision program, you have committed yourself to attending that college and must withdraw all other applications.
- You meet or exceed the admissions profile of students at College X (i.e., your SAT[®] scores, GPA, and class rank should be comparable to students at College X). You should have completed one round of the SAT and SAT Subject Tests™ by October of your senior year. Some colleges, however, will accept November test scores if the scores are rushed to the admissions office. You have an academic record that has been consistently solid over time.

If you know that your senior-year grades will be much better than your grades in previous years, you may wish to apply under the regular admissions program and allow the college to evaluate your improvement.

What are the advantages of Early Decision programs?

Your application is reviewed early and you receive notification of your admissions status by December 15. If you are accepted, you avoid having to complete other applications. Your application is reviewed against a smaller applicant pool. (However, it is usually a much stronger pool than the group of candidates for regular admissions.)

What are the disadvantages of Early Decision programs?

Obviously, you could be rejected early. And next April, when other students receive their acceptances, you may end up wondering, "Could I have been accepted to Y University?" You might change your mind, but you are bound by contract to attend College X.

Should you apply under an Early Decision program? (page 2)

What are some of the mistakes students make in choosing to apply for Early Decision?

- applying to a college for ED when they have not researched/visited any other colleges
- applying early to a college just to avoid the paperwork and stress
- applying early because a friend is doing so

What about financial aid?

When applying under an ED program, you fill out a preliminary financial aid form from the college. (Some colleges use the CSS Financial Aid/PROFILE® form available on the Internet at www.collegeboard.com.) You will be notified of your financial aid package at the time of your acceptance. The package will be determined by the college based on an assessment of your family's economic needs.

If financial aid is an essential factor for you in selecting a college, you may not wish to apply under an Early Decision program because you will not be able to compare your aid package with financial aid offers from other colleges.

Questions

Direct your questions about Early Decision programs to your college of choice. Institutions can and do vary in their implementation of early programs. There are also numerous Early Action programs, which are nonbinding. Contact the colleges about the regulations of each program, as they can vary widely.

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