

# Likely – **TARGET** – REACH

## Building your College List

When building your college list and preparing your college applications you should always consider the following:

- You want to attend this college. Never apply to a college you would not be happy attending.
- You have visited this college. It always looks different from the pictures. Set foot on campus, take the tour and attend the information session.
- You meet all the requirements for the recommended coursework.
- The college major you want is offered and available.
- You meet every requirement for admission.
- You submit a complete application before the deadline.

## Likely

- Your SAT or ACT score is **significantly above** the average that was accepted last year
- Your unweighted GPA is **significantly above** the average accepted last year



Think about applying to a school that offers rolling admission. Admissions decisions are given on a continuous cycle, so submit your application early to receive an early admission decision.

## TARGET

- Your SAT or ACT score is **at or about** the average that was accepted last year
- Your unweighted GPA is **about** the average accepted last year

## REACH

- Your SAT or ACT score is **slightly below** the average that was accepted last year
- Your unweighted GPA is **slightly below** the average accepted last year
- You have successfully challenged yourself in your academic coursework.



A college that has an acceptance percentage less than 25%, meaning they accept less than 25% of those who apply, is a “Dream” school for any student, no matter how high your GPA or test scores.

## Where have PVHS students gone to college?

### What were their test scores and GPAs?

Statistical information on college acceptances from PVHS graduating classes, starting with the Class of 2008, is found on the PVHS website under CCC > college acceptances. This information is self-reported by students through Naviance. Visual graphs of college admission may also be found in Naviance under Scattergrams.



Look for the blue check-mark link that will take you to a pdf. copy of the College Acceptance and Matriculation Profile for each year beginning with 2008