

Class of 2025 Senior Statistics

Class Information and Admission Information

- The 81 Members of the Class of 2025 were admitted to 119 colleges in 33 states, the District of Columbia, and Spain
- They will attend 31 colleges in 17 states and the District of Columbia.
- 67% percent will attend in-state while 33% percent will attend out-of-state.
- Class members were admitted to numerous highly-selective schools, including Dartmouth, Washington and Lee, Carnegie Mellon, Duke, Purdue, UNC-Chapel Hill, Georgia Tech, Southern Cal, Northeastern, and UVA.

Scholarships

- Two members of the class were recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation as National Merit Commended Scholars and six students were named National Merit Finalists. Five students were named College Board National Recognition Program Awardees.
- Three students were selected as candidates for the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program, one of the nation's highest academic honors.
- 25% of the class met the qualifications to be named South Carolina Palmetto Fellows, the state's highest lottery funded scholarship award.
- Members of the Class of 2025 were offered scholarships in excess of 16 million dollars, 10.6 in academic scholarships, and 5.4 in athletic scholarships.

Testing and Grades

- The average SAT score for the class was 1214, and the average ACT score was 27.5.
- 69 students completed 396 AP and Post-AP courses before completing their Hammond diplomas.
- 33 students earned GPAs of 4.5 or higher and were awarded the designation of Honor Graduate.

But in true Hammond fashion, the Class of 2025 has been quick to invest themselves outside the classroom and in life beyond our gates.

They are philanthropists – They are Eagle Scouts, Girl Scouts Silver Award recipients, election poll workers, and zoo exhibitors. They've coached youth sports and Special Olympics, volunteered at therapeutic horse barns, funded cleft palate surgeries, and cared for the less fortunate on five different continents.

They are artists – Among them are creative writers, visual artists, instrumentalists, music production specialists, and break dancers. They've studied art history in Paris, starred in commercials, and sung in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and even Austrian fortresses.

They are explorers and creators – They've skied the alps, climbed glaciers, and participated in international language immersion programs. They've created their own weather stations, sold their clothing designs, 3D printed e-bikes, and started their own medical device courier business.

They are researchers – They've completed yearlong projects studying the foster care system, microplastics, climate change, and AI regulation. They've worked under faculty to study railroad feasibility, aortic valve calcification, and Egyptology. One student even traveled to Ecuador and Galapagos to study sharks.

They are multi-sport, accomplished athletes – Eleven students will continue their careers on the collegiate level in basketball, football, lacrosse, soccer, and volleyball. Too many to count were all-region and all-state, a few are Hammond record holders, and some are even SCISA individual state champions. Among them are pre-professional soccer club players and nationally decorated water skiers.

They are future-focused – They’ve sought out internships in law practices, engineering and architecture firms, floral studios, the department of mental health, vet clinics, and the United States Senate. They have been elected to State Comptroller General at Boys State and traveled to Romania and India to shadow medical practitioners.

And finally, to put it simply, they are Skyhawks – Among their most memorable experiences are Lower School Fun Day, class trips to Nantahala and Costa Rica, the corn hole tournament, and South Campus trips with Mr. Mancke and Mr. Rice’s Ecology Class. They count themselves fortunate to have experienced the unending support of Hammond faculty. One student said: “My teachers always believed in me even when I doubted myself.” They know they’ve been challenged by the Hammond experience and recognize, as one student said, “that as soon as you think you have put in your maximum effort or stepped outside your comfort zone, Hammond will push you the extra mile, showing you that you’re capable of more than what you had imagined.” And most especially, they are grateful for Hammond’s unwavering sense of community that is difficult to put into words. But one student captured it well when she said, “When I came to Hammond, I could never have imagined I would be leaving with so many friendships, emotions, and gratitude.”

The Class of 2025 represents an exceptionally diverse array of identities, passions, and lived experiences. They have impacted life at Hammond more than we can put into words, and they won’t soon be forgotten. Graduates, you have proven that you are ready to chart your own course and apply your talents in any way you wish. We can’t wait to see what you’ll do next. Congratulations.