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Message from the Executive Director

Since 1999, Arkansas Commitment has provided free supplemental counseling to students within the Central Arkansas Area. Our goal is to equip the students of Little Rock with the leadership skills, the academic prowess, and the exposure to institutions of higher learning to ensure a successful transition from high school to college.

In addition to college counseling from 10th-12th grades, students within our program will receive free College Essay Writing Workshops, Academic Tutors, College Tours, as well as semester-long ACT prep classes provided by Huntington Learning Center.

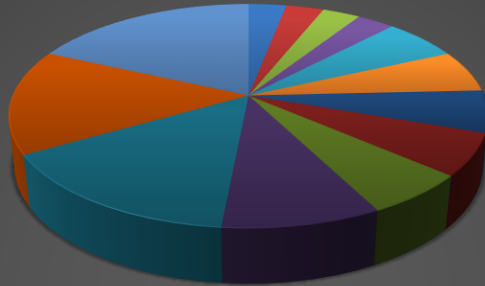
The Class of 2018 consisted of 30 students from 12 different high schools, a **National Merit Scholar**, **3 Valedictorians**, musicians, student body presidents, dancers, athletes, and artists. With our intentional cultivation of the well-rounded student, 100% of the members within our 2018 senior cohort matriculated to college while receiving over \$9.3 million in merit-based scholarships, need-based aid and outside scholarships.

Whether you're a student looking for extra support or a college representative looking for the perfect match for your institution, Arkansas Commitment can help you reach your goal.



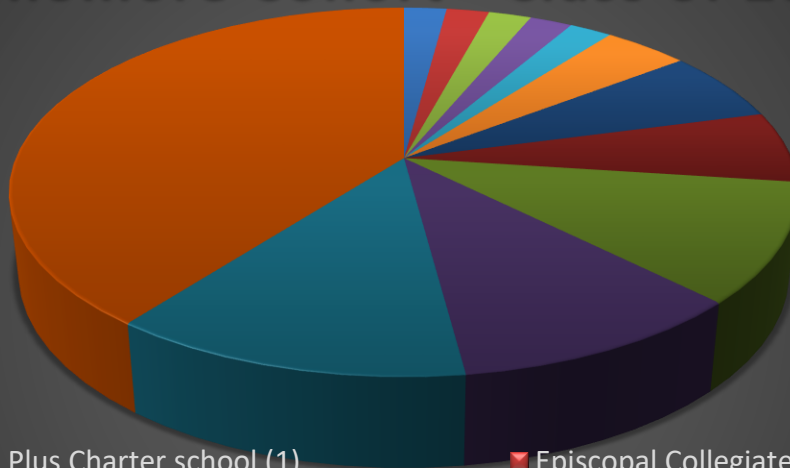
Schools Represented Within Our Program

Senior Cohort - Class of 2019



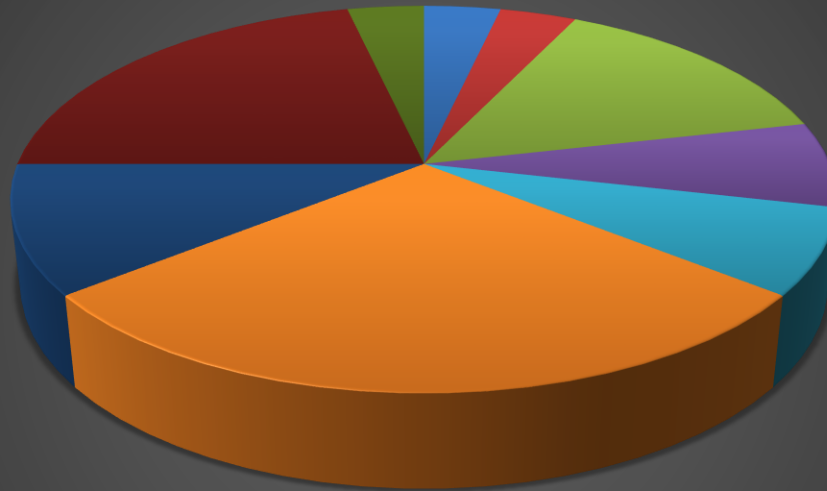
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| ▣ Cabot Freshman Academy (2) | ▣ eSTEM High Sschool (1) |
| ▣ Joe T Robinson (1) | ▣ Little Rock Christian Academy (1) |
| ▣ Bryant High School (2) | ▣ Conway Junior High School (2) |
| ▣ Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter (2) | ▣ North Little Rock High School (2) |
| ▣ Sylvan Hills High School (2) | ▣ Maumelle High School (3) |
| ▣ LISA Academy (5) | ▣ Little Rock Central High School (5) |
| ▣ Parkview Arts and Science Magnet (6) | |

Sophomore Cohort - Class of 2020



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| ▣ Academics Plus Charter school (1) | ▣ Episcopal Collegiate (1) |
| ▣ Hall High School (1) | ▣ J.A. Fair High School (1) |
| ▣ Valley View Junior High (1) | ▣ Maumelle High School (2) |
| ▣ Estem Charter School (3) | ▣ LISA Academy (3) |
| ▣ Bryant High School (5) | ▣ North Little Rock High School (5) |
| ▣ Little Rock Central High School (6) | ▣ Parkview Arts Science Magnet (19) |

Freshman Cohort - Class of 2021



- Bryan High School (1)
- e-Stem High School (4)
- J.A. Fair High School (2)
- North Little Rock (3)
- Pulaski Academy (1)
- Central Arkansas Christian School (1)
- Hall High School (2)
- Little Rock Central High School (8)
- Parkview Arts and Science Magnet High School (6)

At A Glance

- Cost – FREE!
- Selected members include 10th-12th graders
- Guidance on course schedules every semester
- College and Career exploration
- Extensive college search assistance
- Financial aid and scholarship workshops
- Test preparation for the PSAT, ACT and SAT
- Monthly sessions on leadership development
- Community service and outreach projects

Student Profile

Average GPA: 3.8 with 4 Advanced Placement courses

Average ACT: 26-28

Class Rank: Top 5-10%

Average Total Financial Aid Package: \$27,500 for 4 years

Total Financial Aid Earned: \$26 million

Extra-curricular Activities: Student body presidents and vice-presidents, class presidents, varsity student-athletes and team captains, civic youth leaders, church youth leaders, cheer-leading captains, newspaper/yearbook editors, valedictorians, band section leaders, All- State/All-Region representatives, artists, poets, competitive dancers, numerous recipients of area honors and awards, summer enrichment program attendees and researchers



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Special Programs

ACT Preparation	High School Partnerships	Community Service	Access to Colleges	Guidance
<p>In an effort to eliminate the stereotype of African-Americans receiving lower test scores, each student within our program are provided with a free 7-week intensive ACT preparation course during their junior year.</p>	<p>As part of our commitment to the community of Little Rock, our program proudly partners with Hall HS and Central HS of the Little Rock School District, North Little Rock High School, and E-stem Public Charter School.</p> <p>Our staff conducts a 4-part College Readiness Workshop within partner high schools that begin the college exploration process for students in grades 9-12.</p>	<p>Students within the Arkansas Commitment program are expected to excel inside and outside of the classroom. Outside of the classroom, students are expected to participate in community service efforts in order to maintain membership.</p>	<p>In addition to partnering with colleges throughout the country, Arkansas Commitment proudly hosts an annual College Symposium. This event allows the top 10% of students from across the Central Arkansas Area to meet with Admission Representatives from our partner colleges while they give expert insight on the college admissions process.</p>	<p>Considering that High School Counselors may have caseloads exceeding 300+, Arkansas Commitment provides one-on-one counseling to students and their families.</p>



The Commitment

College Acceptances of the Class of 2018

Agnes Scott College
Alabama A&M University
Alabama State University
Amherst College
Arkansas State University
Arkansas Tech University
Austin College
Barnard College
Barry University
Bates College Baylor
University Belmont
University
Bentley University
Berry College
Birmingham•Southern College
Bowdoin College
Brescia University
Bucknell University
Carleton College
Christian Brothers University
Clark Atlanta University
Colby College
Colorado College
Cornell College
Creighton University
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
Drake University
Drury University
Duke University
Eckerd College
Elon University Emory
University Furman
University
Grinnell College
Hamilton College
Hampton University
Harvey Mudd College
Henderson State University
Hendrix College
High Point University
Houston Baptist University
Howard University
Jackson State University
Johns Hopkins University
Kansas State University
Kenyon College
Lafayette College
Lake Forest College
Lamar University
Langston University
Loyola University – New Orleans
Lynn University
Lyon College
Macalester College
Marist College
Marymount Manhattan College
Middlebury College
Millsaps College
Missouri State University
Morehouse College
North Carolina A&T Univ.
Occidental College
Oklahoma State University
Ouachita Baptist University
Philander Smith College
Pitzer College
Pomona College
Princeton University
Rhodes College
Rice University
Roosevelt University
Rose-Hulman Insit. of Technology
St. Louis University
Samford University
Scripps College
Sewanee: The Univ. of the South
Smith College
Southern Arkansas University
Southern Methodist University
Southern University
Southwest Baptist University
Southwest University
Spelman College
St. Olaf College
Stetson University
Tennessee State University
Texas Christian University
The American Academy of Dramatic Arts
The Boston Conservatory
The NY Conservatory for Dramatic Arts
Tisch School of NYU
Trinity University
Tufts University
Tuskegee University
Union University
University of Alabama
University of Arkansas at Fayetteville
University of Arkansas at Little Rock
University of California – Santa Barbara
University of Central Arkansas
University of Central Oklahoma
University of Dayton
University of Hartford
University of Kansas
University of Memphis
University of Miami
University of Missouri
University of Oklahoma
University of Richmond
University of Southern California
University of the Pacific
University of Tennessee-Knoxville
University of Tulsa
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Virginia Commonwealth University
Wake Forest University
Washington and Lee University
Washington University in St. Louis
Washington and Jefferson University
Wellesley College
Wesleyan University
Westminster College
Wheaton College
Williams College
Wofford College



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Partner Colleges

Colorado College

Grinnell College

Hendrix College

Pomona College

Sewanee: University of the South

Vanderbilt University

Washington and Lee University

Washington University in St. Louis

Williams College

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