



# Fern Creek High School Ivy Plus Academy

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## Program Highlights

- The Ivy Plus Academy's purpose is to ensure students' acceptance into the nation's most selective colleges and universities.
- Ivy Plus Academy students will travel as a cohort in their core classes to ensure rigorous academic standards and to maintain the integrity of the Ivy Plus Academy philosophy and purpose.
- Ivy Plus Academy students will take multiple Advanced Placement and dual-credit classes throughout their time at Fern Creek to maximize potential college credit opportunities.
- Ivy Plus Academy students will have access to one-on-one college counseling services which include college selection, application assistance, financial aid support and extensive college visits.
- Ivy Plus Academy students will be prioritized and provided support for leadership and scholarship opportunities such as National Merit Scholarships, Governor Scholars, Vogt Scholarships, and Governor School for the Arts.

## Program Capacity

- Academy space is limited and preference is given to students within Fern Creek's resides area.
- Students who are not accepted into the initial Academy cohort will be placed on the waiting list (Students may still choose to attend Fern Creek and may be enrolled in specific Advanced Placement classes as non-Academy participants).

## Program Results (Class of 2016-2017 Data)

National acceptance rate of admitted schools:	29.5 %
Acceptance rate of Ivy Plus Class of 2017:	72.7 %
Average ACT (nationwide) to admitted schools:	29.66
Average ACT of Ivy Plus Class of 2017:	26.63

Total scholarship amount:

\$6,118,400

*This amount only accounts for scholarships/grants given by the Ivy Plus colleges listed above and does not include amounts given by non-Ivy Plus colleges (UofL, UofK, Bellarmine, et. al.).*

Schools offering admission: Carlton, Centre, Dartmouth, Davidson, Denison, DePauw, Earlham, Lehigh, Oberlin, Rhodes, Rose-Hulman, University of Virginia, Wake Forest, Washington and Lee, Wesleyan, Wofford

### **Financial Needs**

Fern Creek's Ivy Plus Academy currently operates with no specifically designated federal, state, or district funding. Current funding comes from Fern Creek High School's general budget and Fern Creek Alumni Association's generous support.

All of the money that is donated to the Fern Creek Alumni Association earmarked for Ivy Plus goes directly to our students with no overhead cost. This fund is used to pay for personal effects for students as they travel to college: travel costs, luggage, outerwear, and technology.

We are asking for a funding amount per student of \$500. This amount would cover the following experiences and materials:

- Freshmen Orientation and Retreat
- Summer 2 day College Experience
- Summer 3 day College Experience
- College Application Fees
- College Visits
- ACT Score Fees
- Outfitting seniors for college -- supplies, luggage, travel expenses, etc.

Our enrollment goal for 2022 is 400 students. We would need \$200, 000 in outside funding to meet the needs of our Ivy Plus students beginning with our current freshmen class.