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# Amplify Your Recruitment with Appily

What's New and What's Next



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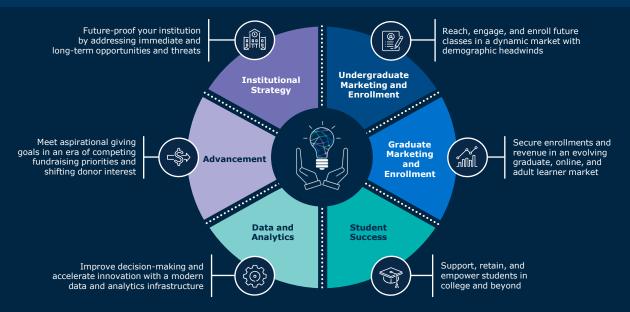
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# Education's Trusted Partner to Help Schools and Students Thrive

#### **Insight-powered Solutions for Your Top Priorities and Toughest Challenges**



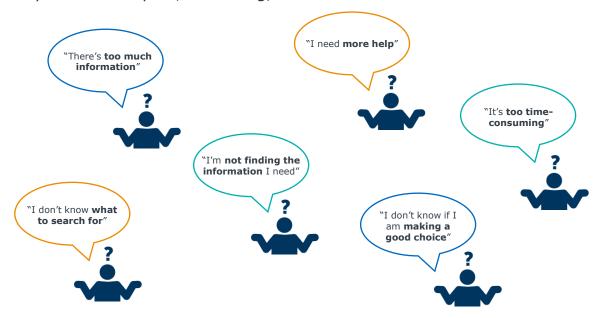
We partner with 2,800+ institutions to accelerate progress, deliver results, and enable lasting change.

95%+ of our partners return to us year after year because of results we achieve, together.

# Students Are Overwhelmed by College Search



They Face a Complex, Confusing, and Often Stressful Process



Over 74% of students report being stressed about their college applications

# Meet Appily





YOU | VISIT









## More Powerful Intelligence



Creating a Top-Notch Student Experience Creates Optimal Value for Partners



#### **Students**

- Better Recommendations
- Easier College Search
- Interactive Planning Tools





#### **Partners**

- Raise Brand Awareness
- Source More Leads
- Gain New Intelligence

High-quality, right-fit connections 🖈



















## A Larger Student Audience That's More Likely to Convert



Virtual Tours Have a Stronger Impact on Student Engagement



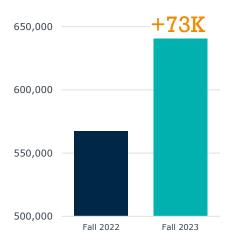
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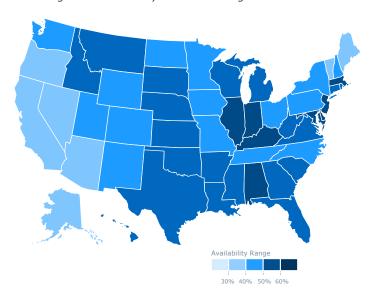


The Leading All-in-One College Search Platform is Getting Bigger

# **Registrations on Appily.com** *EC of 2023 vs. EC of 2024*<sup>1</sup>



#### Share of High School Students on Appily Entering Class of 2024 by State as of August 2024



Registrations on Appily.com during fall recruitment season (August-December) for the Entering Classes of 2023 and 2024.



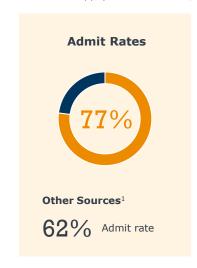
# Appily Inquiries Are More Likely to Apply

#### Generate Results Across The Enrollment Funnel

#### **Appily Inquiries**

Aggregate Results from Appily Partner Funnels, 2021-2024







<sup>1)</sup> Based on an EAB analysis of all Appily partner enrollment funnels between 2021-2024; Last year's average results for inquiries that have been delivered to Appily partners; excludes Enroll360 Solutions partners





### Appily Candidates Are Backed by Powerful Predictive Modeling



#### **Real-time Availability**

Source new prospects that meet your criteria whenever you need them



#### **Net-New Prospects**

With our deduplication service, you can source only new-net Candidates

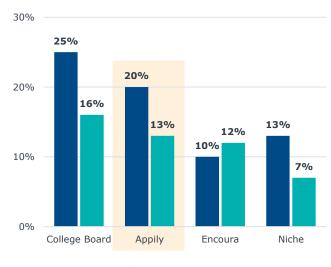


### More Likely to Apply and Enroll

EAB leverages behavioral insights drawn from 6M+ student inquiries in Appily's database to identify Candidates who are more likely to convert, apply, and enroll.

## **Appily Candidates Apply and Deposit at Greater Rates**

Entering Class of 2024; Based on Appily Partner Enrollment Data



■Application Rate ■Deposit Rate

+12%

More likely to inquire over prospects from other major sources +31%

More likely to deposit over prospects from other major sources

Based on an EAB analysis of Appily Candidates in Appily partner enrollment funnels for the Entering Class of 2024; excludes Enroll360 Solutions partner performance

## Expanding on an Already Expansive Network

How we are expanding our audience of **3.4M**+ students



## **Engaging Students' Most Powerful Influencers**

Appily Partners with Social Media Creators to Drive New Student Traffic





Why
Influencers?



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Average number of hours that Gen Z spends on social media **every day** 

69%

of consumers trust influencers over information that comes directly from a brand<sup>3</sup> 51%

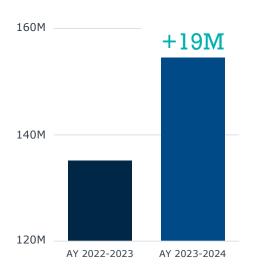
of students favor TikTok for search over Google

# Growing Engagement on Social Media



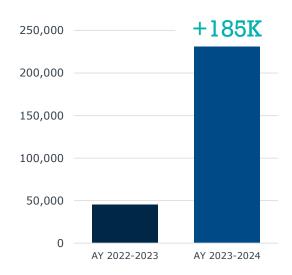


Academic Year '22-'23 vs. '23-'24



#### **Organic Social Engagement Growth<sup>2</sup>**

Academic Year '22-'23 vs. '23-'24



+703% YoY growth in TikTok subscribers

+89% YoY growth in YouTube subscribers

Combined impression and engagement growth across Google, Meta, Snap, and TikTok (for paid media) and TikTok, Instagram, and YouTube (for organic) between Academic Year 2022-2023 (August 2022-September 2023) and Academic Year 2023-2024 (September 2023-August 2024)

# Top-Notch College Guidance Attracts Gen Z



## Growth in Visitors to College Guidance Content on Appily.com



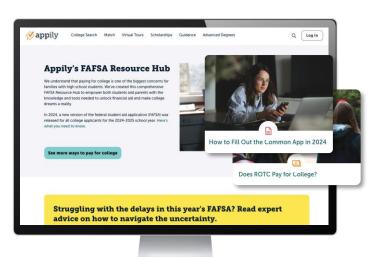
# 600K

visitors viewed Guidance content pages on Appily.com since September 20231



+20%

YoY increase in Guidance content pages views<sup>2</sup>



**Examples of College Guidance Content** 



- **Blog Articles**
- Majors and Degrees pages
- Counselor Hub
- ✓ Value Prop. Pages
- Parent Hub
- ✓ And More

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## A More Interactive College Search Experience

## Appily's New College Planner Will Create More High-Intent Inquiries



By personalizing and gamifying the college search journey, the new College Planner...

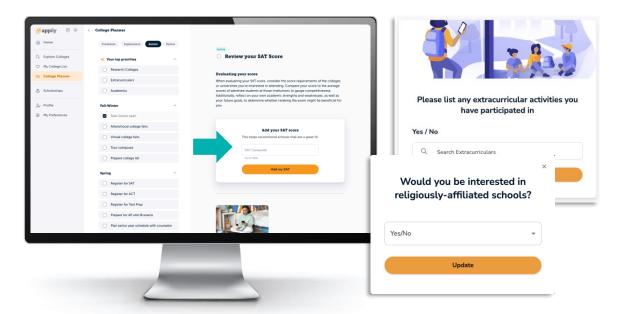


- ✓ Prompts students to return throughout their college search journey
- Asks students to share new information as it becomes available
- Encourages students to curate more purposeful college lists



## More Actionable Information at Your Fingertips

Powered by Personalized Prompts Throughout Students' College Search





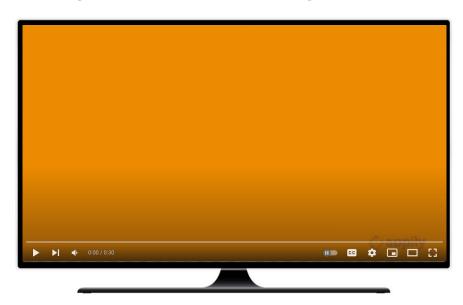




## Bringing Appily to Students' Living Rooms



Appily Now Leverages Connected TV Advertising to Reach More Students



Appily has been featured on:













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## **Immersive Experiences Drive Conversions**



**+16%** 

**Higher application rates** on average among Appliy Leads partners whose profiles **include virtual tours**<sup>1</sup>

**+60%** 

**Higher deposit rates** on average among Appily Leads partners whose profiles **include virtual tours**<sup>1</sup>





# Accessing Virtual Tours on Appily.com



### Students Can Find Your Virtual Tour in Two Ways

#### **Through Your Appily Profile:**









+30%

increase in **college profile views** on Appily.com since September 2023



2x

increase in **time spent taking virtual tours** on Appily.com since September 2023



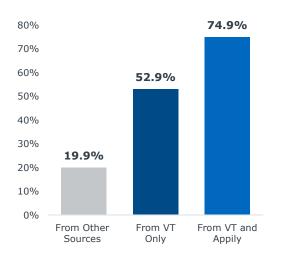


Search and Filter Functionality

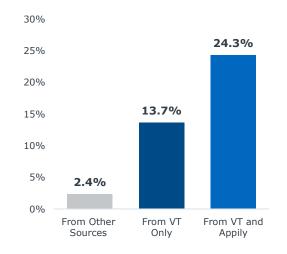
# The Combined Power of Appily and Virtual Tours

#### Better Conversion Rates and Predictive Power

# **Application Rates by Inquiry Source** *Entering Class 2024*



# **Inquiry-to-Deposit Rates by Inquiry Source** *Entering Class 2024*



## Why Leverage AI?



### To Deliver a More Personalized College-Search Experience

#### Students are Accustomed to Consumer Brands Delivering Hyper-Personal Marketing



Personalized homepage for every user, tailored for preference, context, and time of day



Connecting purchase history and browsing data to curate promotions





New "daylist" feature serves users three personalized playlists a day

#### Students Now Welcome and Expect the Same from Colleges and Universities

"Would receiving a personalized message from a college encourage you to explore the school further?"

29%

34%

Almost Always

Often or Sometimes

#### Most Students Are Comfortable With Colleges Using Their Information for Personalization

"How do you feel about colleges using information about you, such as your test scores or your high school activities, to personalize communications?"

50%

43%

Love It or Like It

Neutral

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## Our Recent AI-Based Enhancements

Allow You to Deliver a Customized Virtual Tour Experience



#### AI Personalization

Relevant tour stops are brought to the top of the destination picklist based on expressed interest

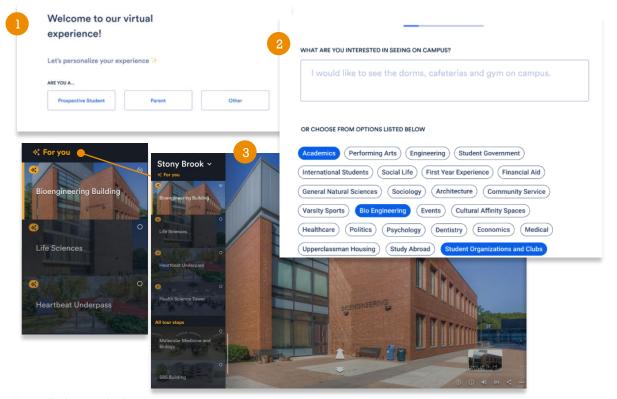
#### AI Search

Visitors can search your tour at any time to discover relevant content from your tour stops and media galleries



## AI Personalization User Experience

## Personalizing Visits Through our Conversational Inquiry Form



## Utilization and Impact After 4 Months



We Have Seen Strong Engagement Across 300+ Partners



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Institutions utilizing AI Personalization

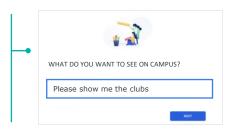
251,543

Total responses across all visitors and input types

73%

of visitors used the free form-text box to personalize their tour 769

Average personalization responses per virtual tour



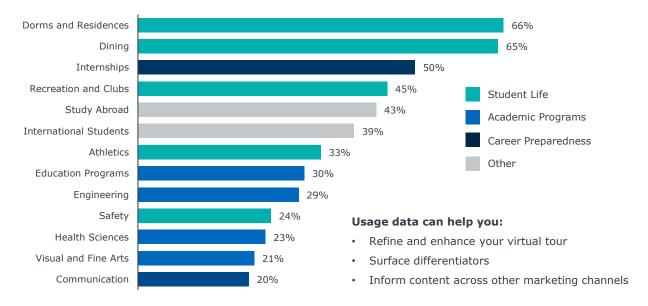
+48% Increase in time on tour when users personalize with AT users personalize with AI

# 2:

## Early Insights on Student Interests

#### Most Popular Categories in Personalized Tour Stops

Early EAB Virtual Tours AI Personalization Data, Top 5 Topics per User, Topics Named by 20% or More of Students

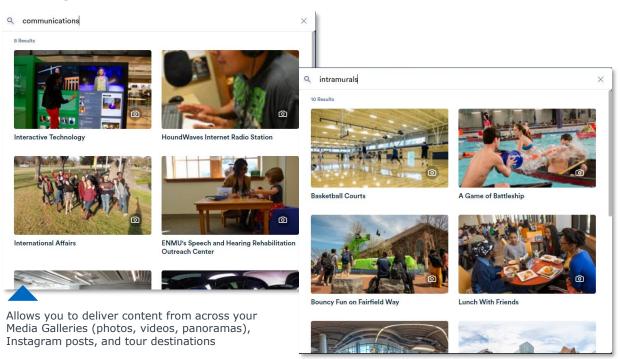


Now Available: Self-service search insights within the Audience Analytics Portal!

## AI Search



## Enabling In-Tour Search Across Your Media Galleries





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# A Simple, Stress-Free Approach to College Search

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How Students Experience Appily Match in Four Simple Steps



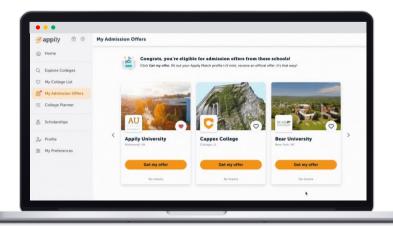
#### **Get the offer**

Students immediately receive admission and scholarship offers



#### Learn more

Students research their options with virtual tours, assess their financial fit for your institution, and more.



98%

of Match registrants upload a transcript to complete their profile

70%

of Match students receive at least one admission offer

# A More Flexible Approach to Direct Admission



Choose Between an Automatic or Hands-On Approach-or a Bit of Both



## How Match Works for Enrollment Teams



### Two Powerful Approaches to Accelerate Your Enrollment Funnel

### Identify your search criteria

We will provide you with profiles to review that align with your unique enrollment criteria.

#### **Review student profiles**

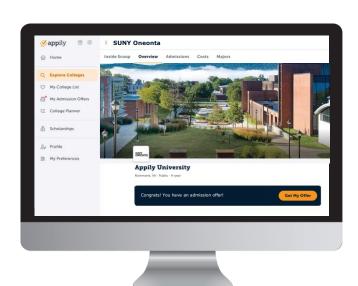
Actively review complete profiles that include a transcript, test scores, extracurricular interests, and more from students who are net-new to your funnel

#### Extend offers to right-fit students

Use personalized copy and customized conditions to extend admission and scholarship offers to students you want

#### **Kickstart your yield efforts**

Students are loaded into your CRM as admitted students, allowing for seamless entry into your yield campaigns



## Expanding our Partnership with PowerSchool



## Appily Match Has Integrated with Naviance CCLR



Naviance seniors can now optin to matching with colleges from directly within Naviance



6,000+

High schools nationwide can now enable Match access for their seniors





The Leading College, Career, and Life Readiness Platform



✓ Research colleges,

With Naviance, students can...

Research colleges, scholarships, and career paths  Identify how their interests align with potential college and career paths  Opt-in to receiving official offers from colleges via Match

#### **LEADS**



#### **Integrated Lead Files**

Appily will allow you to source inquiries and Candidates through a **single lead file**, regardless of where and how they connected with you.

#### **TOURS**



#### **AI-Powered Descriptions**

Using generative AI, you will soon be able to **create robust descriptions** for all the content in your Media Galleries with just one click.

#### **MATCH**



#### **AI Offer Assistant**

Create more customized offers more quickly with an AI-powered offer assistant that takes a student's whole profile into account, including their dream jobs, classes they enjoy, and more.

## Before We Close, Two Quick Questions:

Please let us know which topics you would like to speak further about

Please rate the overall value of today's session

## Take Our 1-Minute Survey



Tell us what you thought of today's session



Request a copy of the webinar recording and today's slides



Set up time to speak with an expert



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A Comprehensive College Search Platform to Help You Succeed in Today's Recruitment Landscape



## An All-in-One Student Website for Confident College Choices



