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Selective Colleges
& Universities



Out-of-State
College Tours



What is EMERGE?

Academic
Achievement



College Advising





Why We Exist

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Family Income and the College Completion Gap

41%

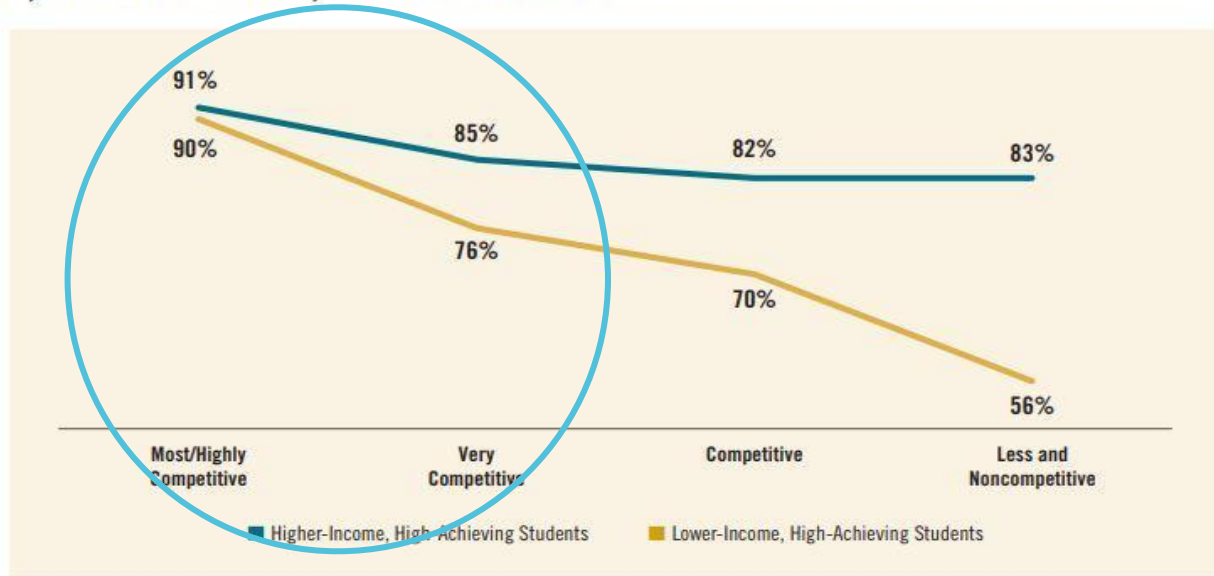
Academically strong students from lower income backgrounds graduated from college.

74%

Academically strong students from higher income backgrounds graduated from college.

Are there colleges
graduating
high-performing
low-income
students at high
rates?

Figure 6: Graduation Rates of High-Achieving Students, By Income and Selectivity of Institution Attended



Source: Josh Wyner, John M. Bridgeland, and John J. DiIulio, Jr., *Achievement Trap: How America is Failing Millions of High-Achieving Students from Lower-Income Families* (Lansdowne, VA: Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, 2008), p. 24. "High-Achievers" defined as top 25 percent academically in 12th grade. "Lower-Income" denotes family income below the national median; "Higher-Income" denotes family income above the national median.

YES!

High Graduation Rates



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Competitive & Selective

Selectivity is measured by the college's acceptance rate (average student SAT/ACT scores, GPA, & rank).

Rule of thumb: 

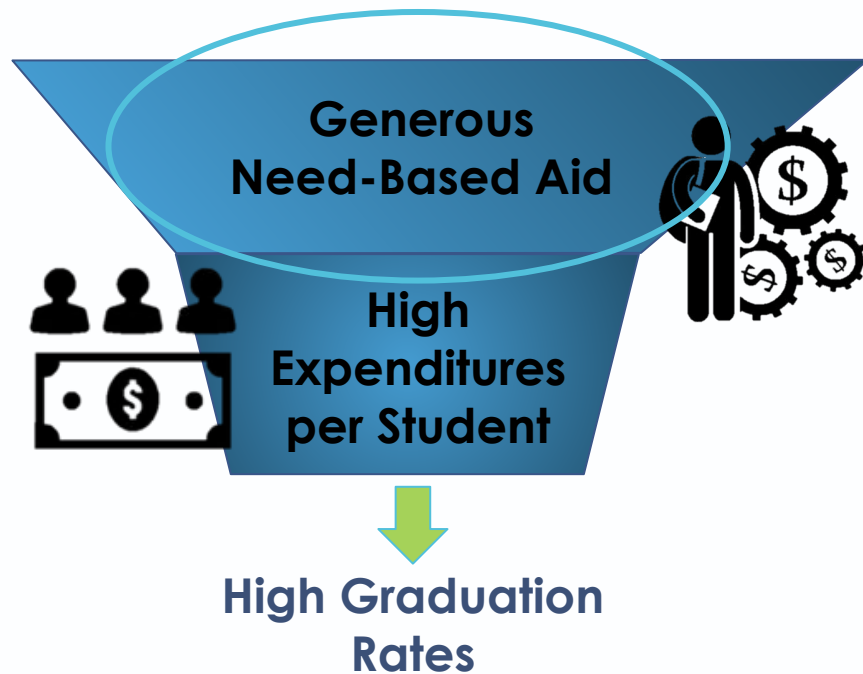


The Lower the acceptance rate



The more selective the school

Why are these institutions graduating students at high rates?



Kim



Family



Expected
Family
Contributions
(EFC): \$2,000

Colgate University

New York



College cost:
\$70,000



Financial Aid:
\$68,000

Yearly Bill:
\$2,000

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Easton, Pennsylvania



RICE

Houston, Texas



Pomona
College

Claremont, California



Amherst College

Amherst, Massachusetts

Colleges & Universities
with **generous**
need-based aid



Los Angeles, California



WAKE FOREST
UNIVERSITY

Winston-Salem, North Carolina



Carleton

Northfield, Minnesota



CLAREMONT
McKENNA
COLLEGE

Claremont, California



GRINNELL
COLLEGE

Grinnell, Iowa



Duke
UNIVERSITY

Durham, North Carolina



Trinity College
HARTFORD CONNECTICUT

EMERGE



Generous
Need-Based Aid



Less Financial
Debt & Less
Financial Stress



High
Expenditures
per Student



Strong Academic,
Social, & Professional
Support



High
Graduation
Rates

EMERGE Scholars: Resources in College



“Franklin & Marshall College has a lot of resources for students, especially **first-years**. I loved having a group of **freshmen counselors**, who are seniors in your residential college.

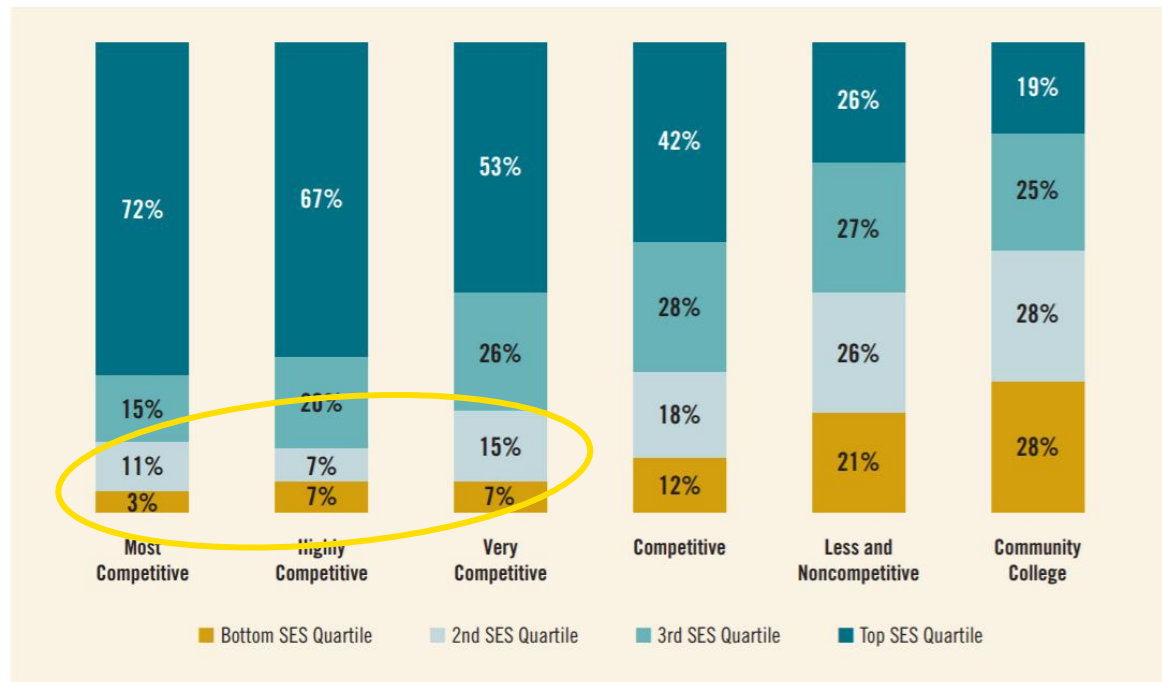


I really enjoy living in my residential college this year because I am steps away from my Dean and Head of College, who **host dinners, teas, guest speakers**, and fun events like random barbecues.

The cultural houses also have peer liaisons, you have a sophomore advisor who is there to **advocate for you**, and there are always people you can turn to for help.”--EMERGE Scholar, **Franklin & Marshall College**



Figure 1: Very Few Low-Income Students Attend Highly Selective Colleges and Universities

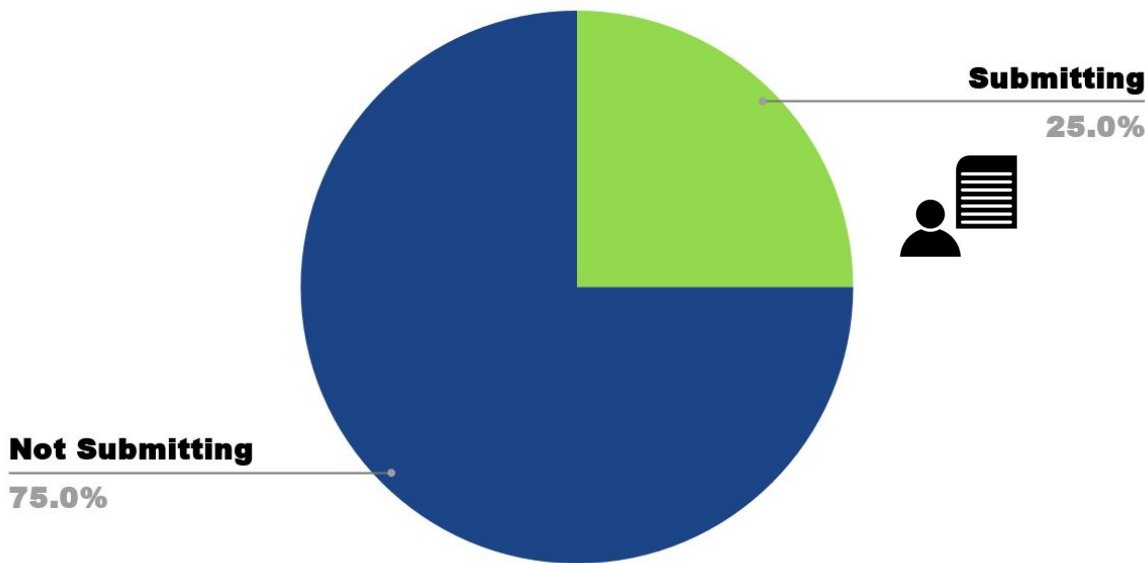


Are High-Performing
Low-Income
students attending
Selective Colleges &
Universities?



Only **25%** of
High-Performing
Low-Income
students submit an
application to a
Selective College/
University

High-Achieving Low-Income Students Submitting Applications to Selective Colleges & Universities

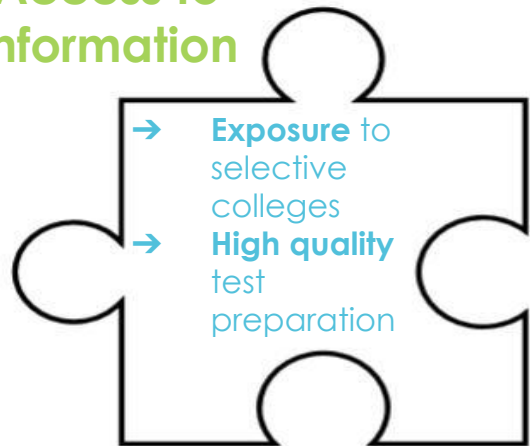




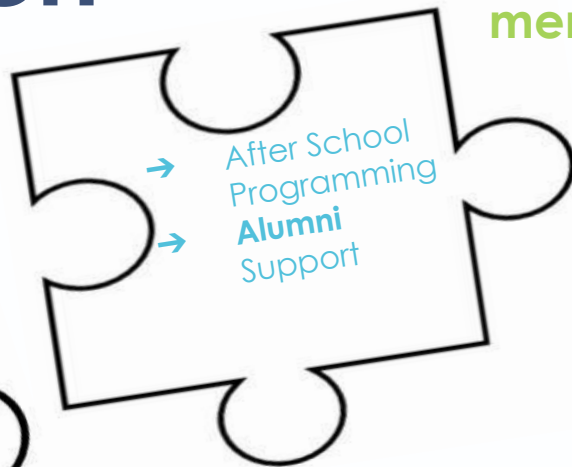
**Why do
you think
this is the
case?**

Our Approach

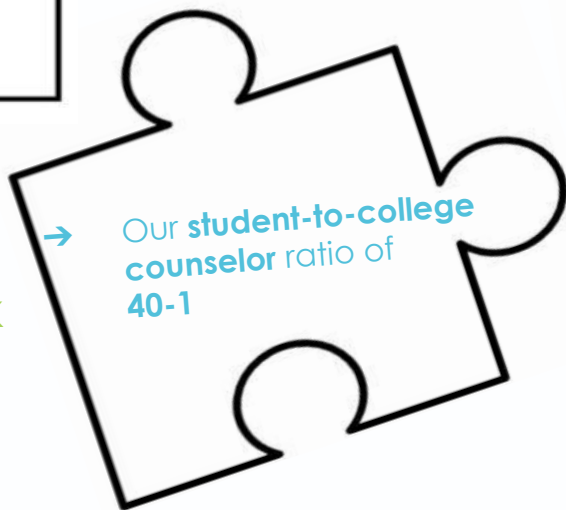
Access to
Information




Highly Individualized
support with an adult
mentor



High-touch network
of support



“Not only did **EMERGE** believe that I could do what **statistics** said was **highly unlikely**, they also **guided** me **every** step of the way.”
Wilber Dominguez, Swarthmore College



The **EMERGE** Student Journey

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10th Grade Exploration



**Sophomore
Bootcamp**

- ❖ Developing community
- ❖ Initial personal exploration
- ❖ Goal Setting



**Summer
College
Tours**





I noticed my **mindset** **changed** as soon as I stepped off the airplane. I have **never** been so far away from my family. I realized that **being independent** was not mentally hard and it was **encouraging**.



I love the **EMERGE community** here, everyone has the **same mindset** to make their **families proud**. We have the same passions which makes it easier to **connect** with each other.

College Tour

In June 2019, more than **400** EMERGE scholars were able to **expand** their college knowledge while visiting schools across the country

- ❖ Boston, MA
- ❖ Philadelphia, PA
- ❖ Chicago, IL
- ❖ Connecticut, NYC
- ❖ Claremont, CA
- ❖ D.C., Maryland & Virginia

11th Grade Training



154 point
average
SAT score
increase

SAT Prep



Biweekly,
After-
School
Sessions

- ❖ **Advising** on course rigor, extracurricular involvement & summer Opportunities
- ❖ **After-School** Sessions
- ❖ **Free** SAT Prep Classes



12th Grade Achieve New Heights...

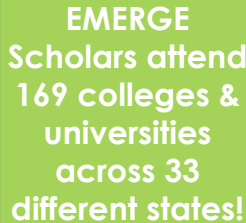
- ❖ Exposure to leadership & college fly-ins
- ❖ College, financial aid & scholarship applications



**College
Acceptances**



**One-On-One
Advising**



- ❖ Winter break summer programming
- ❖ Connection to same-region scholars
- ❖ Internship & Career Exploration

Our Impact

1300+

EMERGE Fellows

High School Students in
10th-12th grade.



160

Alumni

(college graduates)



5

Houston-area
school district partners

1000+

EMERGE Scholars

enrolled in college

83% of **EMERGE students** to-date have
graduated from college in **4-years**
compared to **41%** of all
high-achieving low-income students
nationwide.



Is EMERGE for **ME**?

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EMERGE Trailblazer

5 Key Characteristics

- ❖ Drive
- ❖ Perseverance
- ❖ Curiosity
- ❖ Humility
- ❖ Gratitude

Component A

- ❖ **Strong** academic profile
- ❖ **5** key characteristics
- ❖ **Underserved**- Students w/limited financial resources, **1st** in their family to **attend** & **graduate** from a 4-year college



Component B

- ❖ The **excitement** to explore out-of-state and in-state college options
- ❖ The **drive** and **commitment** to work with a mentor to create a competitive college application

EMERGE...



- ❖ **Supports** students who are committed to exploring all of their college options.
- ❖ **Increase** knowledge of the college application process for selective colleges.
- ❖ **Provides** support in building college lists, writing essays senior year & the financial aid process.

EMERGE does **not...**



- ❖ **Provide** scholarships.
- ❖ **Emphasize** applying to technical colleges or community colleges.
- ❖ **Specialize** only in Texas Schools.
- ❖ **Only** get students into Harvard and Yale.



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Application Process

**Application is open on
Tuesday, November
12th, 2019.**

**Finalists Interviews*
Interview Day on
Saturday, February 1st.**

* Not every student who applies will move on to the finalist interviews.

**Application closes on
Sunday, December
15th @11:59 p.m.**

**Final decisions will
be released the
week of February
24th.**

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How to Apply

<https://www.houstonisd.org/emerge>



Each year EMERGE-HISD welcomes a new cohort of exceptional EMERGE fellows. We are excited that you have chosen to apply, and look forward to reading your application!

[Click here to start your application](#)

The application deadline is Sunday, December 15th, 2019 at 11:59 p.m.

There are typically far more interested students than spots available, so we highly encourage you to put your best effort into your application. We suggest students dedicate 2-3 hours to complete this application.

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go to
application

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Application Tips

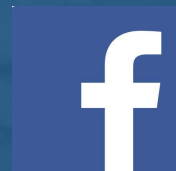
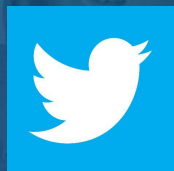
- ❖ If you need help, **ask!** Our application support team is **happy to help!** *[Contact info on next slide]*
- ❖ Make sure your response **answers the question!**
- ❖ Always **reflect** when you write about an experience! Tell us what you learned.
- ❖ **Write drafts**, and **have someone else read and edit your essays!** Don't submit right away.
- ❖ **Save your application!** Use the involvement section and essays for college applications and scholarships!

Questions?

Contact Student Recruiter,
Genesis Rojas!

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