

The Ivy League

According to alumni.harvard.edu, the storied Ivy League is the athletic conference which was established in 1954. The formation of the Ivy League was preceded by the Ivy Group Agreement in 1945. The agreement set academic, financial, and athletic standards for the participating schools' football teams, including the prohibition of athletic scholarships that remains in place today.

These eight schools are the Ivy League:

- Harvard
- Yale
- Princeton
- Penn
- Brown
- Cornell
- Dartmouth
- Columbia

Just a few of the many liberal arts colleges that rival the Ivy League, by region:

West

- Colorado College
- Pomona College
- Reed College
- Stanford University

Midwest

- Carleton College
- Grinnell College
- Kenyon College
- Macalester College
- Northwestern University
- University of Chicago
- University of Notre Dame
- Oberlin College
- Washington University in St. Louis

Northeast

- Amherst College
- Barnard College
- Bates College
- Boston College
- Bowdoin College
- Bryn Mawr College
- Bucknell University
- Colby College
- Colgate University
- Hamilton College
- Haverford College
- Lafayette College
- Lehigh University
- Middlebury College
- Mount Holyoke College
- Smith College
- Swarthmore College
- Trinity College
- Tufts University
- University of Rochester
- Vassar College
- Wellesley College
- Wesleyan University
- Williams College

South

- Davidson College
- Duke University
- Emory University
- Georgetown University
- Johns Hopkins University
- Rice University
- Tulane University
- University of Richmond
- Vanderbilt University
- Wake Forest University
- Washington and Lee University

These eight public schools that rival the Ivy League were nicknamed the “Public Ivies”:

- College of William & Mary (Williamsburg, Virginia)
- Miami University (Oxford, Ohio)
- University of California (campuses as of 1985)
- University of Michigan (Ann Arbor)
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- University of Texas at Austin
- University of Vermont (Burlington)
- University of Virginia (Charlottesville)

Just a few of the many Top State Schools, by region:

West

- University of Arizona (Tucson)
- University of Colorado at Boulder
- University of Washington (Seattle)

Northeast

- Pennsylvania State University (University Park)
- Rutgers University (New Brunswick, New Jersey)
- State University of New York at Binghamton (also known as Binghamton University)
- University of Connecticut (Storrs)

South

- University of Florida (Gainesville)
- University of Georgia (Athens)
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- University of Texas at Austin

Great Lakes/Michigan

- Indiana University (Bloomington)
- Miami University (Oxford, Ohio)
- Michigan State University (East Lansing)
- The Ohio State University (Columbus)
- University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign)
- University of Iowa (Iowa City)
- University of Michigan (Ann Arbor)
- University of Minnesota (Minneapolis–Saint Paul)
- University of Wisconsin (Madison)

Mid-Atlantic

- University of Delaware (Newark)
- University of Maryland (College Park)
- College of William & Mary (Williamsburg, Virginia)
- University of Virginia (Charlottesville)

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