

# The College Visit Minute

A written account of college recruiting visits to Cambridge High School Campus for those that can't attend by *The CHS College Center*

**School: Virginia Tech**

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Is the Rep a school Alum? **yes**

Is the Rep involved in the admissions process? **Yes**

Last year's Freshman Profile: GPA - **VT looks at the student holistically**

SAT - **1150-1350 (middle 50%)** ACT – **25-31 (middle 50%)**

GPA -How is it calculated? **Core vs. Cumulative? Weighted vs. unweighted?**

ACT/SAT – Written Portion? Super score? **Tests are super-scored.**

Rigor - What are the average AP requirements? **School looks at rigor of classes taken first**

Extra-Curricular Activities – What does the school look for? **Yes. Wants to see involvement in clubs and sports**

Most popular majors at this school: **top 10 business school in country; 8<sup>th</sup> in Engineering; also Science, Economics, Architecture, Graphic Design, and Pre-vet**

For out-of-state schools, are there any majors that would qualify for the Academic Common Market? **N/A**

Does chosen major affect decision process? **You do not have to declare your major; you can go in undecided. There is also an undecided business major option.**

Music Programs do require an audition to be admitted.

Study Abroad Programs? Summer Programs, Semester-Long Programs, Foreign Language Programs? **Yes. Programs in over 11 countries. Programs are offered over summer as well.**

Internships / Co-Op Opportunities? **Yes.**

Research Opportunities?

Special successes the school is known for: **School started in 1872. VT has 1 of the 6 military institutions in country. Corps of Cadet and ROTC programs have 1,090 student are in the program.**

Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students? **VT added 3 more scholarships this year; also check for department scholarships; and Honors College scholarships;**

When are scholarship deadlines? **November**

What is the Total cost of Attendance?

	<u>In-State</u>	<u>Out of State</u>
Tuition & Fees	21,500	38,000
Room & Board		
Total per Year (Two Semesters)		

Upcoming On-Campus visit dates not to be missed? **Open house dates are Oct. 8 & 9 and Nov 5 & 6. Reservations are needed. <https://secure.hosting.vt.edu/www.admiss.vt.edu/visit/register/index.php/openhouse>**

Is there a "Scholar Day" for Honors bound students?

## Applications

When are application deadlines? Different decisions: Early Action, Binding, Early Decision, Regular Decision, Rolling?  
Deadline is Nov 1<sup>st</sup> Early admission, know decisions in December; Regular admission Jan 15th

Is an essay required for all decision options? Personal statements are very important.

Are letters of Recommendation required or suggested? No, but can include up to 3 attached to transcript

Is an in-person interview required or suggested? No Music majors are the only ones to require an audition; graphic designers do not need to show portfolio but can link work thru [www.zeemee.com](http://www.zeemee.com)

\*Honors College will do an interview

What does the school look for in each “round” of decisions?

Does the school use the Common App? Yes. Will use coalition app starting next year.

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How many applicants are received per year? 25,250 Applicant acceptance? 70%

## Campus Life

NCAA Criteria Division I. Also has, Rowing club and fencing club... Club sports usually follow D2 program.  
Over 700 clubs to choose from: including lumberjack club, sneaker club, fine dining club, scuba club, etc.

Are sporting events free? Is there a ticket lottery? Lottery for football and basketball

Do freshmen live on campus? Are cars allowed? Freshman must live on campus 1<sup>st</sup> year and cars are allowed.

What are the dorms like: hall-style, suite-style, or apartment-style? Living & Learning Dorms?

3 styles of dorms: hall bathroom type; suite style; and hotel style

Campus Life (requirements, restaurants/cafeterias, clubs/activities, etc.) #1 for food in country; just added 2 food trucks; great dining halls (steak lobster, hibachi etc.)

What is the undergraduate enrollment? 24,000

Total enrollment? 31,000

Percentage of male: female – 58m 42f

Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students – 30% out of state

Percentage of students participating in Greek Life – 19% in Greek system

Where is the school located? Blacksburg, VA population 41,000 mostly college town— foothills of Blue Ridge Pkwy

How far is it from Milton? 6hr, 2.5hr from charlotte; about 400 miles

Other:

What is a Hokie? A weird looking bird that transformed from a live turkey (original mascot.) The word “Hokie” came from a chant, so they called the weird transformed bird a “Hokie”

Legacy helps for admission