

## Schools That Say They Meet 100% of Need

While there are nearly 2,800 four-year colleges and universities in the United States, there are only about five dozen that claim that they meet 100% of their students' financial need.

The list below includes the names of those schools. I've also included schools on the list that say that they meet at least 94% of financial need or higher. Those are the boldfaced institutions.

Even though these schools say they meet a high percentage of need, this doesn't mean that the financial aid packages will be identical for a student applying to these institutions. Far from it.

Most, if not all, of the schools on this list use the [CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE](#), the aid application that allows schools to tweak their aid formulas in ways that can make awards significantly different. One significant differentiator is how each school treats home equity.

Parents should also ways use a school's net price calculator when assessing the generosity of a particular school.

1. Amherst College (MA)
2. Barnard College (NY)
3. Bates College (ME)
4. **Babson College (MA)**

5. **Bentley University (MA)**
6. Boston College (MA)
7. Brown University (RI)
8. Bryn Mawr College (PA)
9. Bowdoin College (ME)
10. Bucknell University (PA)
11. California Institute of Technology
12. Carleton College (MN)
13. Claremont McKenna College (CA)
14. Colby College (ME)
15. Colgate University (NY)
16. **College of the Atlantic (ME)**
17. College of the Holy Cross (MA)
18. **College of Wooster (OH)**
19. **Colorado College (CO)**
20. Columbia University (NY)
21. Connecticut College (CT)
22. Cornell University (NY)
23. Davidson College (NC)
24. **Denison University (OH)**
25. **Dickinson College (PA)**
26. Duke University (NC)
27. Dartmouth College (NH)
28. **Earlham College (IN)**
29. **Emory University (GA)**
30. Franklin and Marshall College (PA)
31. Franklin W. Olin College

32. Georgetown University (DC)
33. **Gettysburg College (PA)**
34. Grinnell College (IA)
35. Hamilton College (NY)
36. Harvey Mudd College (CA)
37. Haverford College (PA)
38. Harvard University (MA)
39. Johns Hopkins University (MD)
40. **Kenyon College (OH)**
41. **Lafayette College (PA)**
42. **Lehigh University (PA)**
43. Macalester College (MN)
44. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MA)
45. Middlebury College (VT)
46. Mount Holyoke College (MA)
47. Northwestern University (IL)
48. Oberlin College (OH)
49. Occidental College (CA)
50. Pitzer College (CA)
51. Pomona College (CA)
52. Princeton University (NJ)
53. Reed College (OR)
54. Rice University (TX)
55. **Saint John's College (NM)**
56. Saint Olaf College (MN)
57. Scripps College (CA)
58. **Sewanee: The University of the South (TN)**

59. **Skidmore College (NY)**
60. Smith College (MA)
61. Stanford University (CA)
62. Swarthmore College (NY)
63. **Syracuse University (NY)**
64. Thomas Aquinas College (CA)
65. Trinity College (CT)
66. Tufts University (MA)
67. **Tulane University (LA)**
68. **Union College (NY)**
69. University of Chicago (IL)
70. **University of Notre Dame (IN)**
71. University of Pennsylvania (PA)
72. University of Richmond (VA)
73. University of Rochester (NY)
74. University of Southern California
75. **University of Virginia**
76. Vanderbilt University (TN)
77. Vassar College (NY)
78. Wabash College (IN)
79. **Wake Forest University (NC)**
80. Washington and Lee University (VA)
81. Washington University, St. Louis, (MO)
82. Wellesley College (MA)
83. Wesleyan University (MA)
84. Williams College (MA)
85. **Wheaton College (MA)**

86. Yale University (CT)