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Tell City Jr.-Sr. High School Named a 2023 School of Excellence by ACT's American College Application Campaign

The Tell City-based high school is one of 27 schools in the country recognized for its commitment to postsecondary student success

(INDIANAPOLIS) – The [Indiana Commission for Higher Education](https://che.in.gov) today announced it has selected Tell City Jr.-Sr. High School as Indiana's American College Application Campaign (ACAC) [School of Excellence Award](#) winner. Indiana joins 26 other states in celebrating exemplary schools dedicated to increasing postsecondary success, specifically for students from low-income backgrounds.

Awardees are selected based on their participation in their state's college application campaign. With a graduating class of 86, Tell City Jr.-Sr. High School reported 100 percent of its graduating class participated in the campaign, with a total of 200 college applications submitted. College-related activities hosted by Tell City included career interest assessments, college/military logo dress up day, mascot day, local college fairs, and more.

"The Commission applauds Tell City Jr.-Sr. High School on their commitment and service to ensuring Hoosier students have access to the resources they may need to pursue education and training beyond high school," said Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education Chris Lowery. "Government cannot take on this important work alone. Schools such as Tell City are critical in getting an important message to students; the message that college is worth it. Thank you to the educators, counselors, and administrators at Tell City for your exemplary participation in this year's initiative."

[College Application Week](#) is part of Indiana's annual College GO! initiative. Taking place every August through November, College GO! provides Hoosier K-12 students with information and resources to support their exploration of postsecondary education options. This was Indiana's tenth year participating in the initiative, with 36 Indiana colleges and universities waiving college application fees.

"We have seen firsthand how communities can transform the lives of students and their entire trajectories as they navigate life after high school and into college," ACAC Director Lisa King said. "I'm so proud for ACAC to recognize more School of Excellence winners this year than ever before. It's a thrill to celebrate the exceptional work of these educators and communities who are supporting students to take the first steps beyond high school."



To learn more about Indiana's College GO! program, visit [Learn More Indiana's website](#).

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About the Indiana Commission for Higher Education

Created in 1971, the Indiana Commission for Higher Education plans, coordinates, and defines Indiana's postsecondary education system to align higher learning with the needs of students and the state. The Commission also administers Indiana's financial aid programs, including the [21st Century Scholars](#) early college promise scholarship, which celebrated 30 years in 2020.

About the American College Application Campaign

The American College Application Campaign (ACAC), a national initiative of ACT's Center for Equity in Learning, is designed to increase the number of first-generation college students and students from low-income families who pursue a postsecondary degree. The purpose is to assist high school seniors as they navigate the college application and admissions process and ensure each participating student submits at least one admissions application.

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