

Bennington College

Waitlist Frequently Asked Questions

- **What is the waitlist?**

Each year, Bennington College invites a select number of qualified candidates to join a waitlist. This process provides the opportunity for a few students to potentially join our first-year or transfer class, depending on available spots.

- **I've been offered a place on the waitlist. What should I do?**

If you're still interested in attending Bennington and want to join the waitlist, follow these steps:

1. Log into the Application Portal and indicate "Yes" on the reply form.
2. Focus on the colleges where you have been admitted, make a decision about where you plan to enroll, and inform that school of your decision. Since only a small number of waitlisted students typically receive an offer of admission from Bennington, it's important to secure your place at a school where you've been accepted.

- **What are my chances of being admitted from the waitlist?**

This varies each year. Some years, we may not admit any first-year applicants from the waitlist, while in others, we have admitted as many as 30. We do not waitlist transfer students, as we will either offer admission or decline applicants based on available spots.

- **Is your waitlist ranked?**

No. Bennington's waitlist is not ranked.

- **How do I remove my name from the waitlist?**

If you no longer wish to remain on the waitlist, please contact our Application Coordinator, Sheila Deane, at admissions@bennington.edu, and she will promptly remove your name.

- **I'm on the waitlist. When will I hear back?**

First-year applicants can expect to receive updates from the Admissions Office between May 1 and July 1.

- **Should I submit additional information while on the waitlist?**

You are welcome to send a letter of continued interest, but please note that submitting extra materials will not affect our decision. If you have new academic achievements or grades to report, you can upload them via the Applicant Portal or send them directly to admissions@bennington.edu.