

TMDSAS Update

2022



Our Mission to Serve YOU

Texas Health Education Service administers and amplifies the missions of the Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service (TMDSAS) and the Joint Admission Medical Program (JAMP) to support advisors and the pre-health community in reaching and empowering aspiring dentists, physicians, podiatrists, and veterinarians with educational resources to enhance their preparation for a career in the health professions.



Achieving the Mission: Learning Organization

PLAN

Establish data pipelines and research best practices

DO

Executive Plan with fidelity and integrity

STUDY

What worked and what could be improved?

ACT

Use analysis to inform programming

Feedback in 2021

**LITERATURE
REVIEWS**

**STRUCTURED
INTERVIEWS**

**ADVISOR
MEETINGS**

**APPLICANT
SURVEYS**

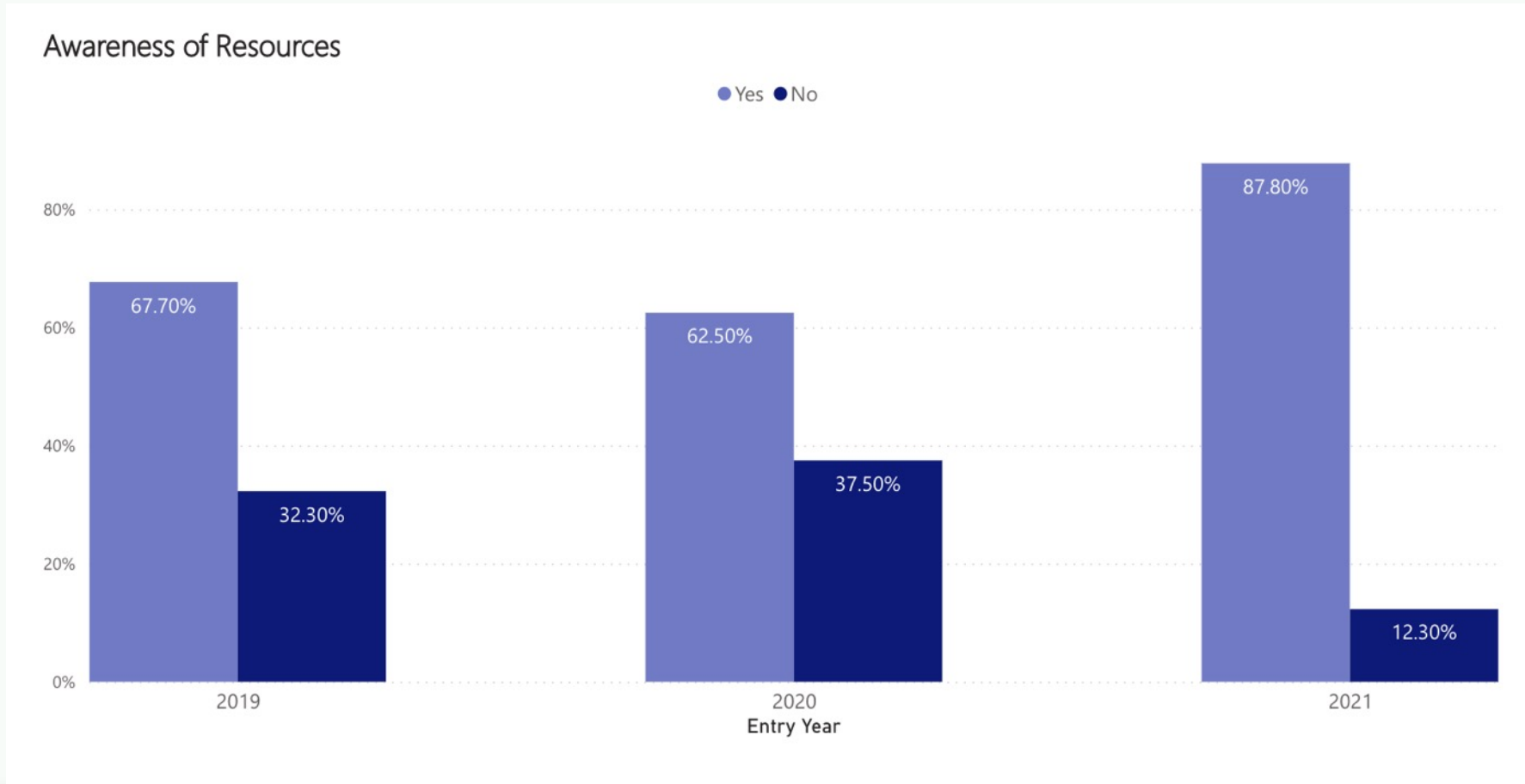
**PORTAL
FEEDBACK**

**JAMP
RESEARCH**

**MEMBER
INSTITUTION INPUT**

**COMMUNICATIONS
AUDIT**

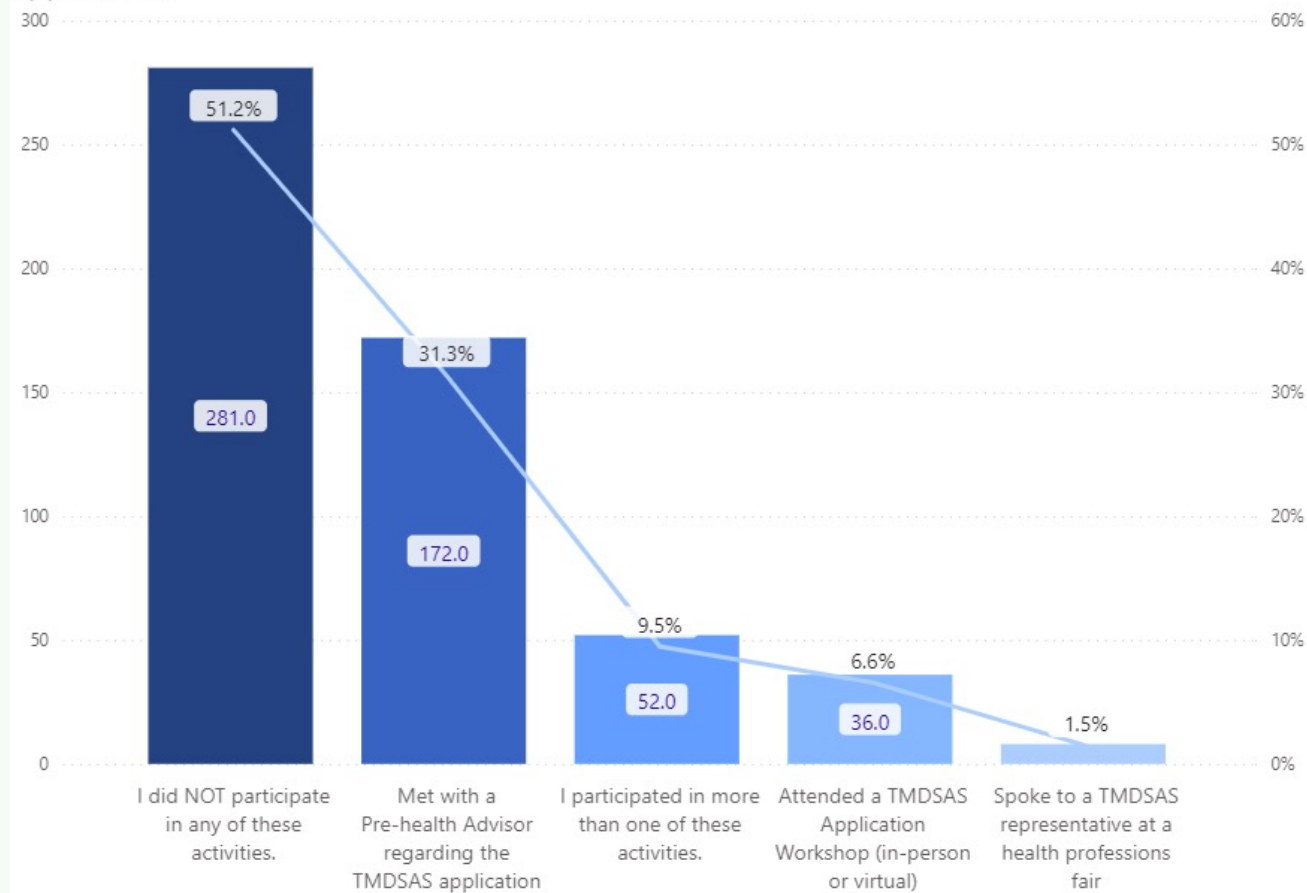
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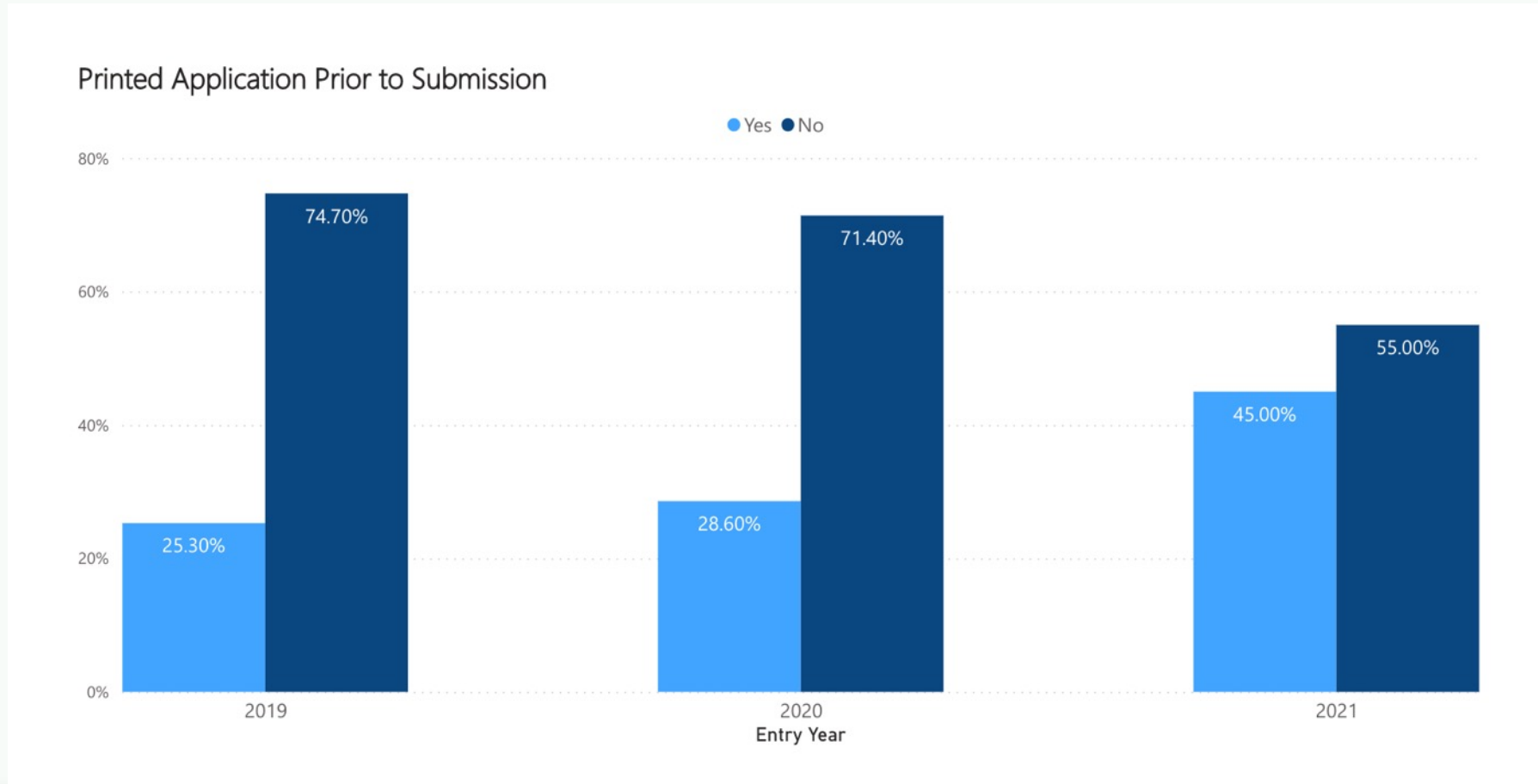
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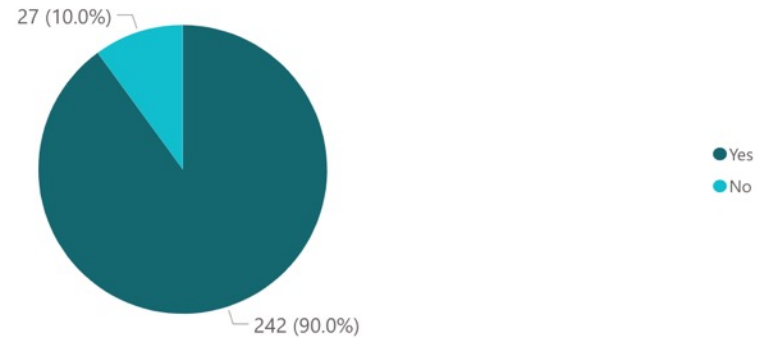
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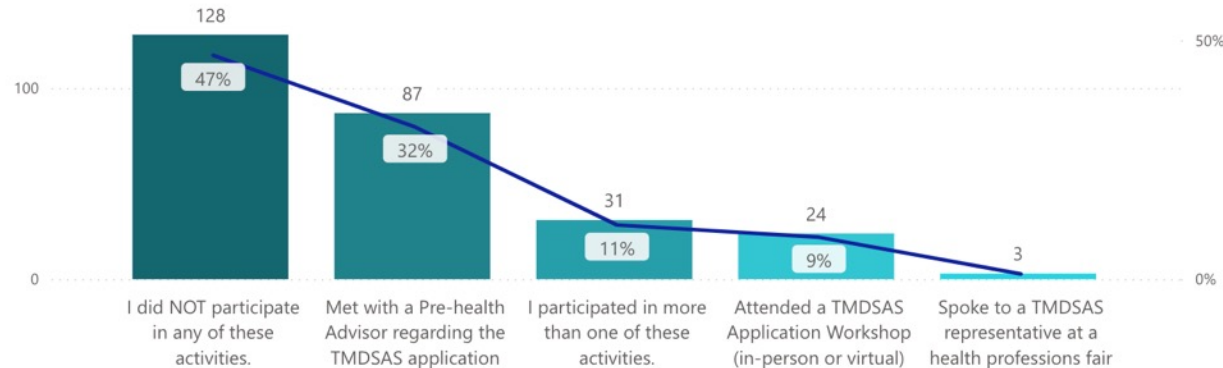
Improved Review of Application Before Submitting

I usually had at least one of the TMDSAS resources on hand when I was filling out the application.



Communication with TMDSAS
■ Application Help

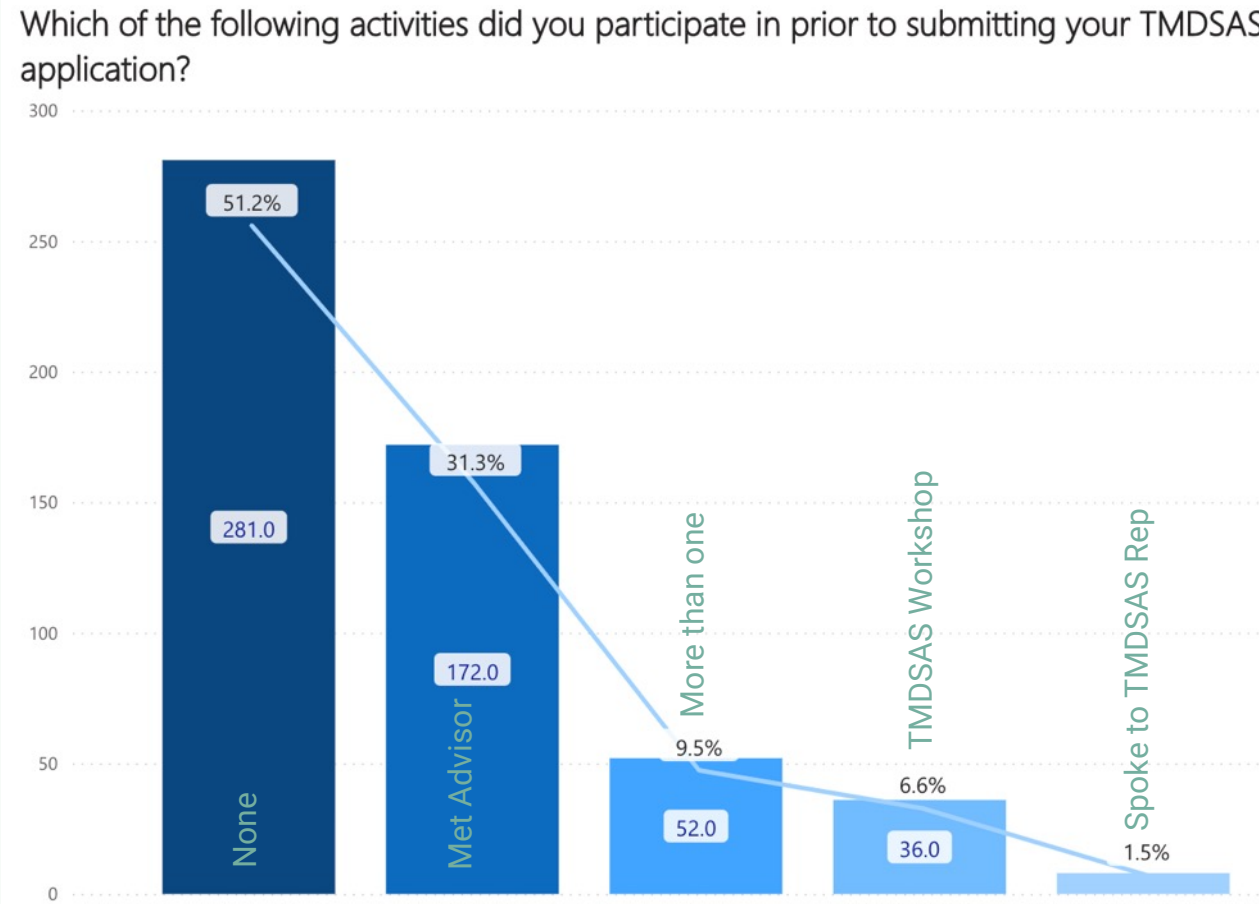
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Survey Responses

TMDSAS Survey Takeaways:

Webinars Reached Special Populations



Changes for EY 2023



Changes for EY 2023

1. Updates to BCPM GPA and PCR Inclusion
2. Add Engineering and Natural/Physical Sciences Course Coding Designations
3. Clarifying Parent Info Question
4. Upgrading the TMDSAS Handbook
5. Developing the New TMDSAS Application

TMDSAS Survey Takeaways:

Target Applicant Groups and Partners

Webinars for Spring 2022:

Re-Applicants

Freshmen/Sophomores

Non-Traditional

Health Professions Advisors

Q&A for Parents

Ask Us Anything Session

Application Workshop (Dental)

Application Workshop (Medical)

Application Workshop (Podiatry)

Application Workshop (Veterinary)

Letters of Evaluation

Changes for EY 2023

Updates to BCPM GPA and PCR Inclusion

All courses taught in Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Math (Statistics) departments will be coded as the designation for the course area (including those outside these departments) according to the [Coursework Definitions](#).

| | INCLUDED IN BCPM GPA | INCLUDED IN PCR |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| NON-SCIENCE MAJOR COURSES | ✓ | ✗ |
| GRADUATE COURSES | ✓ | ✗ |
| FOREIGN COURSES | ✗ | ✗ |
| DEVELOPMENTAL COURSES | ✗ | ✗ |
| AUDIT COURSES | ✗ | ✗ |

Changes for EY 2023

Adding Engineering Course Coding Designations

Courses in Engineering will be coded with the Engineering designation (Coming EY 2023) and will be excluded from BCPM GPA.

Engineering courses will not be reviewed for inclusion as a prerequisite.

Adding Engineering GPA and will be included in PCR.

Includes:

- Aerospace Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Nuclear Engineering

Changes for EY 2023

Adding Natural & Physical Sciences Course Coding Designations

Courses in Natural and Physical Sciences (Animal Science and Agriculture courses) will be coded with the Natural and Physical Sciences designation (Coming EY23) and will be excluded from BCPM GPA except for Veterinary Applicants.

Adding Natural Sciences GPA and will be included in PCR.

Includes:

- Agriculture
- Animal & Avian Sciences

Changes for EY 2023

Clarifying Parent Info Question

Parent/Legal guardian Information

Would you like to add information about a parent/legal guardian? You will be able to add up to six entries.*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Updated language of question to **“Add information about Parent/Legal Guardian.”**

Changes for EY 2023

EY 2023 Timeline

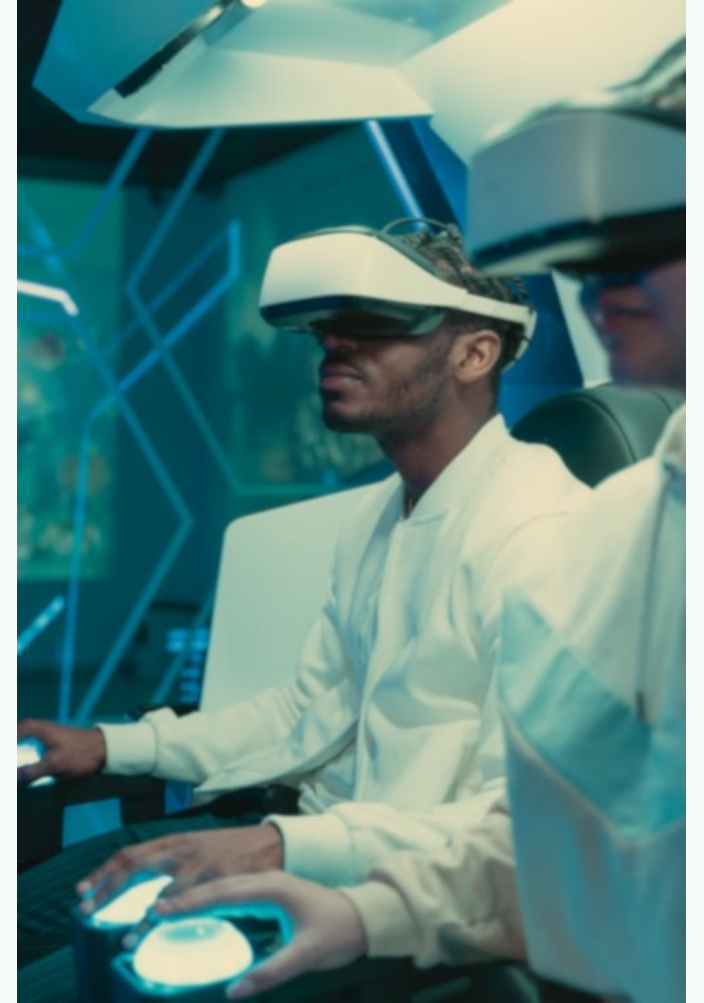
- Application Opens: May 2, 2022
- Veterinary Deadline: September 16, 2022
- Dental and Medical Deadline: November 1, 2022

Other Changes for EY 2023

Application Handbook will now be:
TMDSAS Applicant Guide

Developing the New TMDSAS Application

- Year 1 EY 23 – Improved UI/UX
- Year 2 EY 24 – Expanding to other portals and reporting
- Year 3 EY 25 – Full Updated Application

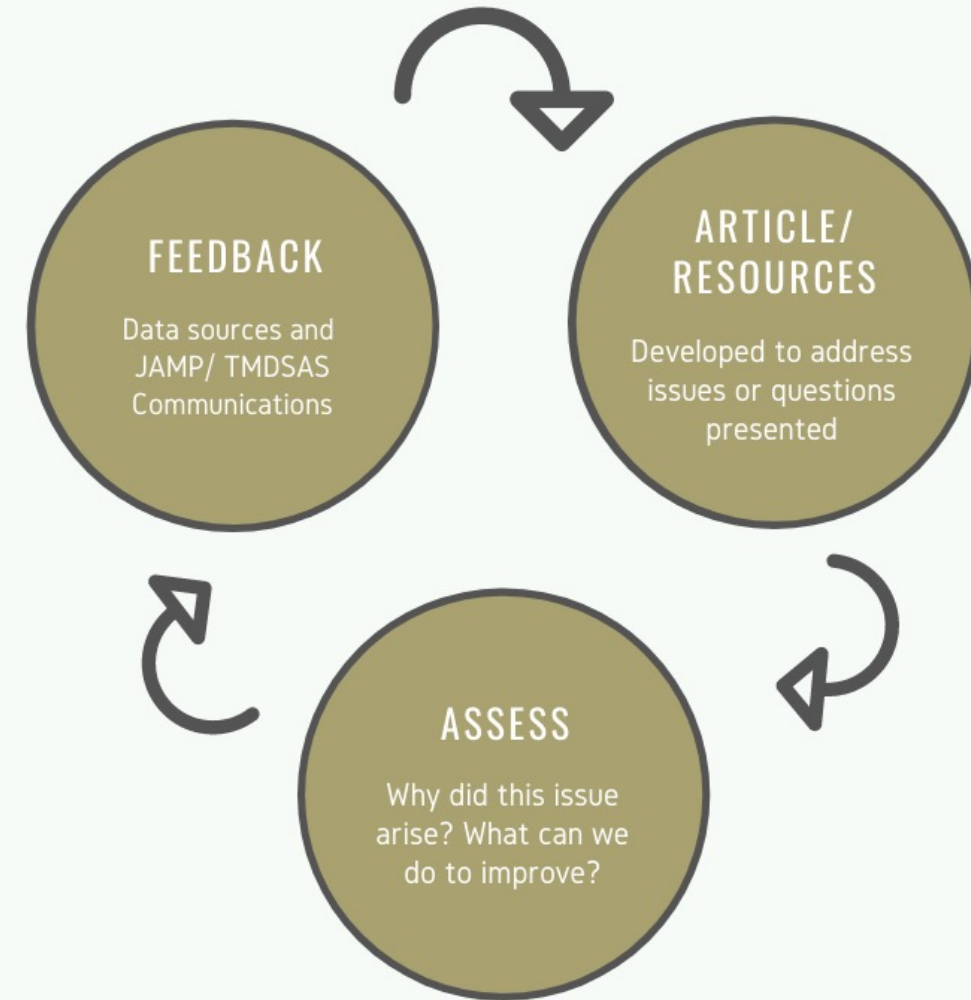


Outreach: Focused Online Engagement

Communications Audit

- Assess all communications media and who we're reaching
- Focus areas are not where future applicants are
- Challenging dominant discourses regarding applicant behavior

What are EY2030 applicants doing right now? How do we reach them?



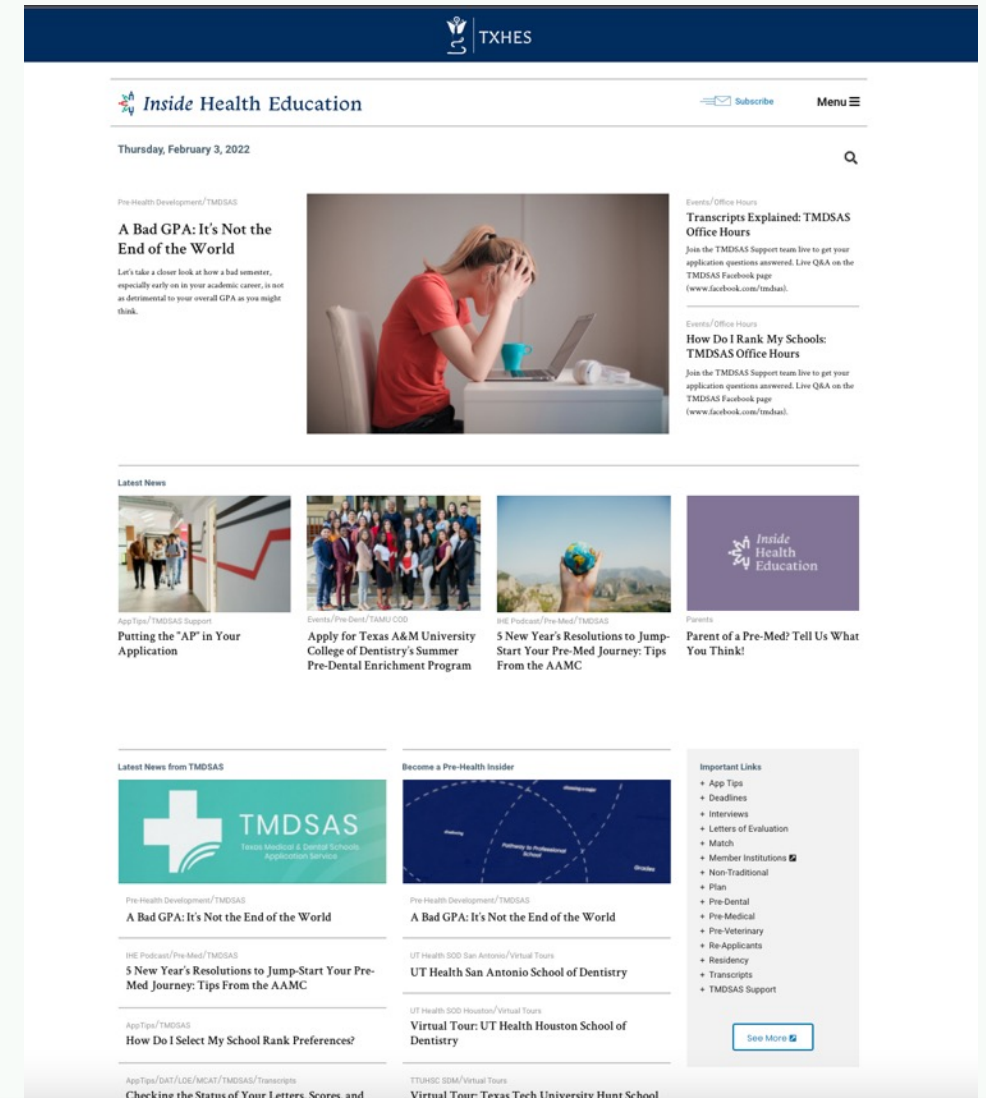
Outreach: Focused Online Engagement

Inside Health Education Newsroom

- Over 120 new resources developed since last TAAHP meeting
 - Includes Advisor Handbook developed with TAAHP

Communications Strategy:

- **JAMP** - engage with aspiring applicants who are several years from applying to medical school
- **TMDSAS** - align applicant experiences with the application



TMDSAS Survey Takeaways: Target Applicant Groups and Partners

So for next year...

Webinars for Spring 2022 starting in March

Re-Applicants

Freshmen/Sophomores

Non-Traditional

For Advisors Only

For Parents

Application Workshop (Dental)

Application Workshop (Medical)

Application Workshop (Podiatry)

Application Workshop (Veterinary)

Letters of Evaluation

Changes for EY 2023

- **NEW Medical School:** The UT Tyler HSC School of Medicine
- **NEW School Type:** The UT RGV School of Podiatry



Expanding our Services

- ✓ Consulting services for undergraduate pre-health offices
- ✓ Systematic sharing of research conducted by TMDSAS and JAMP to benefit the pre-health community
- ✓ Development of resiliency tools and resources for pre-health students

Evaluating Applicant Trends – Dental

EY 2022 Applicants

Applicants **1065**
Average GPA **3.50**
Average BCPM GPA **3.37**
Average DAT AA **19.9**
Average DAT PA **20.0**

Applicants

Applicants **1048**
Average GPA **3.56**
Average BCPM GPA **3.44**
Average DAT AA **20.0**
Average DAT PA **20.0**

EY 2021

Matriculants

Matriculants **252**
Average GPA **3.71**
Average BCPM GPA **3.64**
Average DAT AA **21.2**
Average DAT PA **20.7**

Evaluating Applicant Trends – Medical

EY 2022 Applicants

Applicants **6762**
Average GPA **3.67**
Average BCPM GPA **3.57**
Average MCAT **506.8**

Applicants

Applicants **7359**
Average GPA **3.64**
Average BCPM GPA **3.53**
Average MCAT **506.2**

EY 2021

Matriculants

Matriculants **1849**
Average GPA **3.81**
Average BCPM GPA **3.76**
Average MCAT **511.3**

Evaluating Applicant Trends – Veterinary

EY 2022 Applicants

Applicants **1065**
Average GPA **3.50**
Average BCPM GPA **3.37**

Applicants

Applicants **1068**
Average GPA **3.45**
Average BCPM GPA **3.35**

EY 2021

Matriculants

Matriculants **238**
Average GPA **3.64**
Average BCPM GPA **3.58**

New: TMDSAS Statistics Dashboards



Takeways

- EY2022 Post-Match survey will be available in March
 - Help us update your school's Course Listings
 - Promote and attend the TMDSAS Workshops
 - Share your expertise via Inside Health Education
 - Help us promote TXHES resources to your students
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- Attend tomorrow's TMDSAS Statistics Dashboard Presentation

Thank you!

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