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"A good beginning makes a good end."
LOUIS L'AMOUR WRITER

Yale-Harvard showdown will return to home of Red Sox

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senior on the team when the Bulldogs play the Crimson at Fenway next year.

Since the rivalry began in 1875, Yale and Harvard have faced off 140 times, with the games typically alternating between the Yale Bowl and Harvard Stadium.

The Yale Bowl, with a maximum capacity of over 64,000, dwarfs Harvard's horse-shoe-shaped stadium, which seats just over 25,000. The discrepancy has long been a point of frustration, particularly for Yale students, who often find themselves scrambling for tickets when The Game is in Boston's Allston neighborhood, across the Charles River from Cambridge.

Those tensions reached a boiling point in 2022, the first time The Game returned to Harvard Stadium following the 2018 renovations.

Tickets sold out within hours after an accidental release, and they carried an additional sting: Yale students were asked to pay \$25 — a policy that carried over to last year. During years when the teams meet at the Yale Bowl, Harvard and Yale students alike have received free admission.

Yale administrators attempted to address the issue last year by implementing a lottery system to distribute tickets for Harvard Stadium, giving upperclassmen priority. Demand still far outpaced supply, leaving many students shut out. A steep resale market quickly emerged, with some tickets listed on the popular campus social media app Fizz for over \$100.

Moving the 2026 game to Fenway may alleviate some of these recurring challenges. Fenway Park seats roughly 37,000 for baseball games and can be reconfigured for football — making it larger than Harvard Stadium, which seats roughly 25,000, though significantly smaller than the Yale Bowl, which seats over 61,000.

“Hosting The Game at Fenway



The 142nd playing of The Game will take place at Fenway Park, according to Harvard Athletics and Major League Baseball. /Daniel Zhao

Park is an incredible honor,” Sam Kennedy, the president and CEO of the Boston Red Sox, wrote in a statement included in the MLB news release.

Of course, the 2026 matchup still

feels a long while away for the Bulldogs. The upcoming season is at the forefront of their minds.

“Being able to showcase what Ivy League football has to offer is an unreal opportunity for both programs

at such a historic ballpark. That being said, we’re focused on right now and this upcoming season,” Nick Conforti ’26 said.

The 141st playing of The Game in November will take place at

the Yale Bowl.

In 2018, Yale lost the 135th playing, 27–45, at Fenway Park..

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Democratic registration rose 28 percent since August

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1 in the city's legislative body, but the last several Ward 1 alders ran uncontested for the position.

Since the beginning of August, 247 individuals living in Ward 1 — which encompasses Old Campus, eight of Yale's 14 residential colleges and half of the New Haven Green — have registered as Democratic voters in New Haven. The total number of registered Democratic voters in Ward 1 rose from 883 to 1130 between Aug. 1 and Aug. 27, according to data provided to the News by Democratic voters clerk Maritza Gant.

The pronounced uptick in the number of registered voters may indicate that the unusually competitive three-way race and high-energy campaign efforts are driving interest in the election.

The most common addresses listed by registered Ward 1 voters were those of the Eli Apartments on Church Street and Grace Hopper College. Each houses 62 registered voters. Other off-campus housing options, such as the Liberty Building and Taft Apartments, also had significant numbers of registered voters.

Old Campus — which includes seven first-year dormitories, Connecticut Hall and McClellan Hall — houses 195 of the registered Demo-

cratic voters in Ward 1. Of those nine locations, Vanderbilt Hall and Lanman Wright Hall had the largest share of voters, with 48 and 47 respectively.

Of Yale's residential colleges located in Ward 1, Trumbull College had the fewest registered voters. Trumbull is also the smallest res-

idential college at Yale by population.

From the voter registration information obtained by the News, it is unclear how many of the 1,130 voters are Yale students.

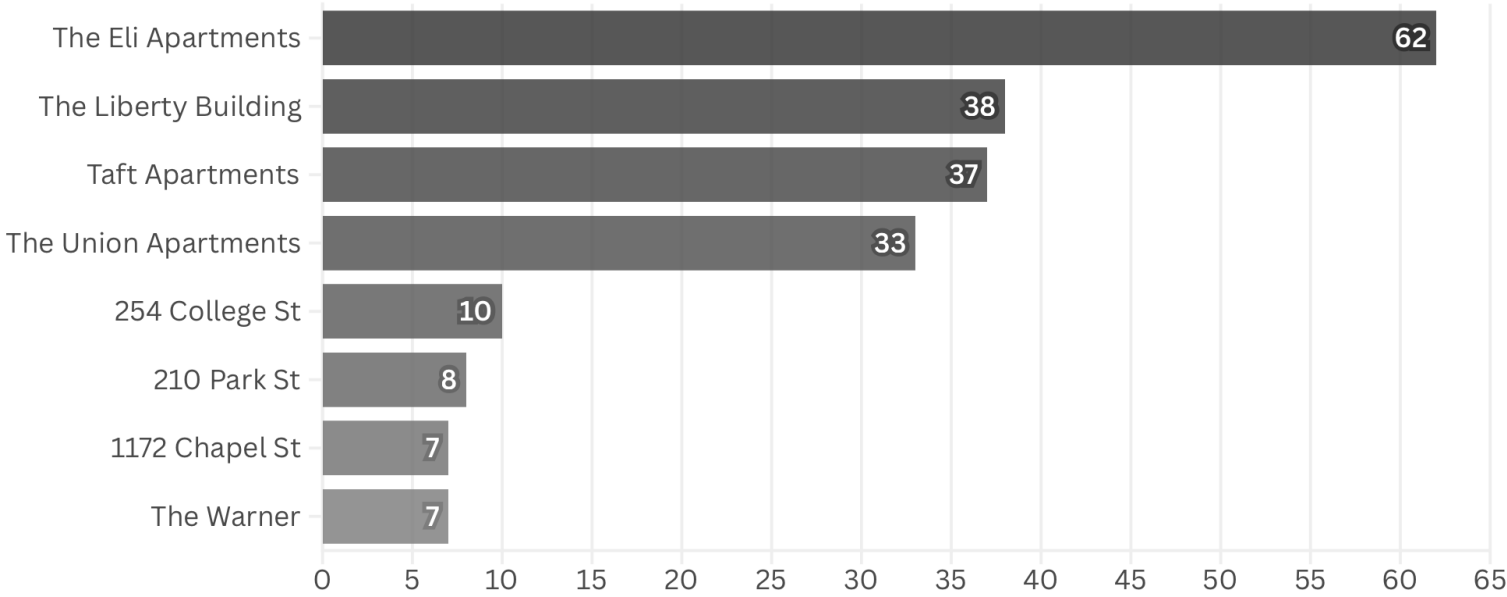
All three Ward 1 alder candidates list voter registration information on their websites,

and Theodore and McTiernan Huge operated voter registration tables on Old Campus when first-year students arrived at Yale. On the first years' move-in day, McTiernan Huge and Theodore said they registered at least 55 new voters.

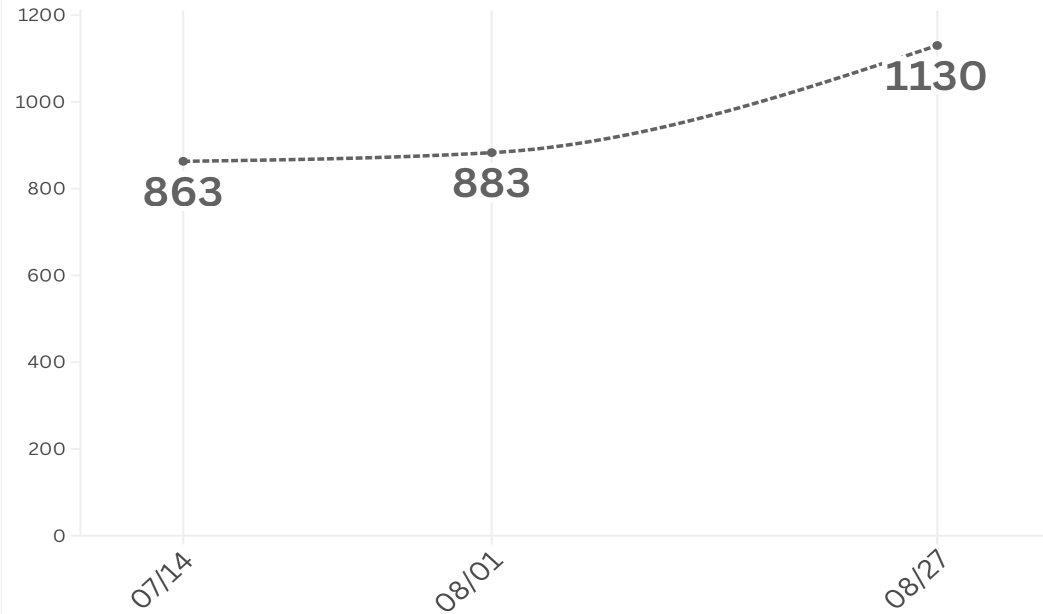
The last time three people ran for Ward 1 alder was in 2009.

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Ward 1 Registered Democrats in Apartment Complexes



Registered Democrats in Ward 1, July 14–August 31



Ward 1 Registered Democrats in Residential Colleges and Halls

