

Early Decision Candidate's Agreement

Postmarked by November 15 for Plan I

Postmarked by January 2 for Plan II

EARLY DECISION AT DAVIDSON

We are happy to acknowledge your interest in applying Early Decision to Davidson.

Early Decision at Davidson is designed for students who know beyond a shadow of a doubt that Davidson is their first choice. Please give careful thought to your decision to apply early to Davidson. This decision means that you are making the important statement that Davidson is definitely your first choice, that you are not applying Early Decision to another college or university, and that if accepted to Davidson you agree to enroll and will withdraw immediately all applications for admission and scholarships to other colleges and universities. As you make the decision to apply early to Davidson, you should consult with your parents and guidance counselor.

To apply Early Decision please submit **all** of your application materials postmarked by **November 15** for Plan I and **January 2** for Plan II. We will mail notification letters in mid-December for Plan I and late January for Plan II. If you have any questions or concerns about applying Early Decision to Davidson please call and talk with a member of the admission staff at 704-894-2230 or 800-768-0380.

EARLY DECISION NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID

Admission decisions for U.S. citizens and permanent residents are made without regard to your family's financial circumstances. While students and parents are expected to accept primary responsibility for financing college costs, Davidson maintains a strong program of need-based financial aid to help families afford the cost of a Davidson education. In 2006-2007, the College will provide students with more than \$16 million from its own sources of funding. These funds will be combined with federal, state, and other outside monies to supplement family financial resources.

Because of the binding nature of applying Early Decision to Davidson, we realize that options for financing an education at Davidson may be of concern to you and may be an important part of your Early Decision commitment. Therefore, we encourage you to explore options for financial aid early in the fall. We will work closely with students and parents who are considering applying Early Decision to provide you with a realistic estimate of what your family may expect to contribute to your Davidson education. This may help guide you as you make the decision to apply early to Davidson.

Early Decision candidates who wish to be considered for need-based financial assistance may refer to the need-based aid instruction form included in this application. Early Decision accepted students who apply for financial aid will receive financial aid notification letters shortly after the admission decision letters.

If you have questions about the Early Decision process and financial aid please call a member of our Financial Aid Staff at 704-894-2232.

MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

Early Decision candidates will be considered for the range of merit-based scholarships that Davidson offers. Notification of these awards will be made by mid-April. Merit-based scholarships are given to a limited number of entering students. These awards are made without regard to financial need and are intended to reward scholastic promise, ability, character, and exceptional potential for future contributions to society as evaluated in the application for admission by members of the admission staff and the Faculty Committee on Admission and Financial Aid. For talent specific scholarships, selection also may be based on the outcome of an audition, interview, portfolio review, or writing sample.

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The Davidson community realizes that applying Early Decision represents a thoughtful commitment that Davidson is your first choice college. We are pleased that you feel Davidson can help you reach your educational and personal goals. We look forward to getting to know you during the application process.

STUDENT AGREEMENT

I am applying to Davidson College under an Early Decision Plan.

- Plan I application complete by November 15; notification by mid-December
- Plan II application complete by January 2; notification by late January

I understand that to receive full consideration all forms and information must be postmarked by the stated deadline.

As an Early Decision applicant I affirm that:

- Davidson is my first-choice college
- I have not applied Early Decision to another college or university
- If accepted, I will enroll at Davidson
- If accepted, I will withdraw immediately all applications for admission and scholarships at other colleges and universities

Student Signature Date

Name (please print) Social Security #

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

As parent(s), I/we understand and affirm the commitment of Early Decision:

Parent Signature Date

KEEP A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS.

Please return with Part II of your application.

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