

**WHEATON COLLEGE EARLY DECISION AGREEMENT**

Thank you for your Early Decision application to Wheaton College. Please note the guidelines for applying under a binding early decision process which have been defined by the National Association for College Admission Counseling’s Statement of Principles and Good Practices:

**“Early Decision (ED) is the application process in which students make a commitment to a first-choice institution where, if admitted, they definitely will enroll. While pursuing admission under an Early Decision plan, students may apply to other institutions, but may have only one Early Decision application pending at any time. Should a student who applies for financial aid not be offered an award that makes attendance possible, the student may decline the offer of admission and be released from the Early Decision commitment. The institution must notify the applicant of the decision within a reasonable and clearly stated period of time after the Early Decision deadline. Usually, a nonrefundable deposit must be made well in advance of May 1. The institution will respond to an application for financial aid at or near the time of an offer of admission. Institutions with Early Decision plans may restrict students from applying to other early plans. Institutions will clearly articulate their specific policies in their Early Decision agreement.”**

**If you are accepted under Wheaton’s Early Decision plan, you must immediately withdraw all applications submitted to other colleges or universities, may not submit additional applications, and must submit your enrollment form and non-refundable \$400 enrollment deposit to Wheaton by the date listed in your acceptance letter.** This policy applies to applications to all colleges and universities both inside and outside the United States.

If you are an Early Decision candidate seeking need-based financial aid at Wheaton, you will receive your financial aid award at the time of admission, assuming you have completed your financial aid application by that time. If you do not receive your financial aid award letter at the time of admission, please contact us immediately so that we may help you complete this process.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I have read and understand my rights and responsibilities under the Early Decision Process at Wheaton. I wish to be considered as an Early Decision candidate at Wheaton College and understand that with an Early Decision offer of admission, Wheaton may share my name and my Early Decision Agreement with other institutions.

\_\_\_\_\_ Student Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ mm/dd/yyyy

\_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ mm/dd/yyyy

\_\_\_\_\_ School Counselor Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ School Counselor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ mm/dd/yyyy

**Please return this form to the admission office by PDF e-mail attachment.**