

EARLY DECISION/EARLY ACTION CANDIDATES

Students choosing Early Decision/Early Action usually apply to only **ONE** college. These transcript requests must be submitted to your counselor three weeks prior to the application deadline. **Early Decision** candidates are committed to attend that college if accepted, and would withdraw applications to all other colleges. **Early Action** candidates have until May 1st and may apply as regular admission candidates to other colleges.

There are three actions taken with the Early Decision Plan; a student is accepted, rejected or deferred to the regular pool. The early notification date assures adequate time to proceed with other application forms as if the Early Decision Plan had never been tried.

You must remember that colleges vary greatly in what they consider acceptable credentials for acceptance under Early Decision. Some require a superlative high school record, while others accept an average student who would normally be accepted in the spring. Please see your counselor for more specific information about this.

Because of the variance in procedures, an early decision student should contact the school to which he/she is applying in order to become fully acquainted with the specific financial aid procedures to be followed at that particular school.