



HOBART AND WILLIAM SMITH
COLLEGES

2018 EARLY DECISION AGREEMENT

Please note the deadlines for Early Decision Applicants are listed on the HWS website.

If you are using the Common Application to apply for Early Decision but are having trouble accessing the Common Application Early Decision Agreement Form, we ask that you fill out the Colleges' Early Decision Form as an alternative. The HWS Early Decision Agreement Form must be completed, signed and submitted along with all other required application materials to the Office of Admissions by **November 15, 2017 for Early Decision I** applicants, or by **January 15, 2018 for Early Decision II** applicants.

TO THE APPLICANT (Please print)

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Init _____

Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

Street _____

City and State _____ Zip _____

High School _____

INSTRUCTIONS

From the National Association for College Admission Counseling *Statement of Principles of Good Practice*:

“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 accepted under the HWS Early Decision plan, you must withdraw the applications submitted to other colleges and universities. However, you do not have to withdraw other applications until you have received notification about financial aid, if you are a financial aid candidate.

Signature of Student _____ Date _____

I wish to be considered as an Early Decision candidate at Hobart and William Smith Colleges. I have read and understand the Early Decision process. I also understand that with an Early Decision offer of admission, HWS may share my name and my Early Decision Agreement with other institutions.

Signature of Counselor _____ Date _____

As the counselor, I understand the Early Decision commitment.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

As the parent/legal guardian, I understand the Early Decision commitment.