

Types of College Decisions

Early Action

- Not binding
- Can apply to more than one school with early action
- Early due date for applications
- Gives more time to review financial aid packages from other schools
- Smaller applicant pool
- If not admitted, student enters regular decision applicant pool and will be reviewed again for admittance

Early Decision (I & II)

- Binding agreement between school and student that if admitted, the student will attend
- Student must withdraw applications to other schools if accepted
- Can only apply to one school with early decision
- Early due date for applications
- Smaller applicant pool
- If not admitted, student enters regular decision applicant pool and will be reviewed again for admittance (no longer binding)

Regular Decision

- General applicant pool
- Largest group college admissions officers review
- If you are not accepted during early action or early decision, you will be reviewed again during the regular decision process
- Acceptance notices for this group come out in April (for the most part)

Rolling Admission

- Applicants are accepted as they apply
- The earlier you apply, the more likely you are to receive institutional aid
- There is usually a deadline to be considered for scholarships (usually end of fall) and a final application deadline (usually end of spring)