





GUIDE TO EARLY DECISION & EARLY ACTION APPLICATIONS

A ready-to-use deadline tracker and task list for students



DO YOU KNOW?

On an average, the **acceptance percentage** for the Early Decision applications exceeds that for the Regular Decision applications by **over 4 times.**

Admissions through Early Decision applications have been rising steadily over the past decade, and it is between 35% and 50% for most colleges accepting ED applications.

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- Most universities ask for Early Action applications to be submitted by November 1, while some have a November 15 deadline.
- There's a similar deadline for Early Decision I, and students must target to send in applications before **November 1**.
- Early Decision II allows students to apply till January 1.
- The response from universities arrives by December end for applications received before November 15. So, students know early on whether they got an offer or not, and can apply to other universities.
- The response for ED II arrives by February 15.

TO-DO LIST FOR ED AND EA APPLICATIONS

September	
	Finalise the Personal Statement.
	Compile documents and complete applications.
	Get teachers to fill out recommendation forms.
	Request for transcripts and other documents from school.
Oct	tober
	File Early Decision or Early Action applications according to school deadlines and procedures.
	Take SAT or ACT if necessary (Note: October is the last test date that will make scores available in time for early decision and early action programs).
	If necessary, register for financial aid.
November	
	Continue filing EA or ED applications according to specific deadlines.
	Follow up with teacher recommendations.
	Work on regular-decision applications as a backup, for a scenario where you don't get acceptance on an ED or EA application.
	Fill in the required documents for financial aid.

TO CHECK THE EARLY DECISION DEADLINES FOR UNIVERSITIES ON YOUR SHORTLIST, AND COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION, LOGIN TO YOUR CIALFO ACCOUNT.

