

Early Decision

Required (These items constitute a complete application)	Deadlines
Application with \$60 Fee	Postmarked by December 15, 2009 Applications can be submitted anytime on or before Dec 15. Decisions are made on a rolling basis, 3-4 weeks after an application becomes complete
Transcript	
Teacher Recommendation	
Counselor Recommendation	
Early Decision Agreement Form	
First Marking Period (Senior Year) Grades	As soon as they are available

Optional	Deadlines
Review of COMPLETED applications will likely begin in mid-November. If you are submitting any of the following OPTIONAL application components, please complete/submit them no later than one week after your completed application has been sent to us to ensure that they are reviewed with your application.	
On-Campus Interview (Highly Recommended)	November 25, 2009 (Please call at least two weeks in advance to schedule)
Verification Sheet (Sent to you after application is received)	Please return within one week of receiving (faxes are encouraged)
Standardized Test Scores	December 15, 2009
Supplementary Materials (CDs, Art Slides, DVDs, etc.)	December 15, 2009

Financial Aid	Deadlines
CSS Profile®* (College Scholarship Service)	Priority deadline of November 1, 2009
FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)	February 1, 2010

Application:

Make sure you have answered all questions thoroughly and precisely. Remember, you are your best advocate, so take some time when completing each section of the application. If the forms do not provide enough space, feel free to use additional sheets. The application form (www.commonapp.org) can be sent electronically or mailed to the Admissions Office together with your \$60.00 application fee. In cases where our fee would cause undue hardship, Holy Cross honors the College Board fee waiver request initiated by your high school counselor.

Early Decision Agreement Form:

[Early Decision Agreement Form](#) completed and returned **by mail only (faxes are not accepted)**.

Click on the link above for the ED Agreement Form. Under "First-year applicants can use the following forms" click and download the "Early Decision Agreement Form" which is the eighth form down from the top of the list. Print the form, obtain the required signatures, and then mail it to: College of the Holy Cross, Office of Admissions, One College Street, Worcester, MA 01610.

Teacher Recommendation:

One teacher recommendation is required. Additional letters of support are welcome.

Interview:

Given the rolling nature of the Early Decision process, if you are having an [on-campus interview](#), please make sure it is scheduled and completed as soon as possible. Interview appointments are offered on any day that the Admissions Office is open for business. To arrange for an on-campus interview, please call the Admissions Office at 1-800-442-2421. Off-campus alumni Interviews are not available for Early Decision applicants.

Verification From

Decisions on applications will not be held up for receipt of the Verification form. Students are therefore encouraged to fax the form to us at 508-793-2537.

Standardized Testing:

The submission of standardized test scores is optional. If you are submitting testing, request scores be sent to the College. The College Board code number is 3282. The American College Testing Program code is 1810. Students who opt not to submit scores will not be at any disadvantage in Admissions decisions.

Supplementary Materials:

Students with strong extracurricular interests are invited to submit samples of their talent. Our most common submissions are of a musical, theatrical or artistic nature. Slides, cassette tapes, CD's and DVD's are the most effective forms of media. Students should submit duplicate or disposable materials, as no supplements will be returned.

CSS Profile:

Early Decision candidates who wish to be considered for financial assistance should file a College Scholarship Service (CSS) Profile form (www.collegeboard.com) – available beginning in September.

*In addition, copies of the "Non-Custodial Parent's Statement" and/or "Business/Farm Supplement" should be sent directly to the [Financial Aid Office](#) at this time. The Non-Custodial Parent Statement as well as the Business/Farm Supplement are forms that may have to be completed based on the information you provided on the Profile registration.

For questions regarding financial aid, please call 508-793-2265 or send an e-mail to financialaid@holycross.edu.

CSS Profile Priority Deadline:

Students who complete the CSS profile by November, 1, 2009 will generally receive their financial aid notification within one week of receiving their Admissions decision.