

March 15, 2002

Mr. Clayton B. Thomas
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Evanston, WY 82930-4504

Dear Clayton:

On behalf of the Admissions staff, it is my pleasure to offer you admission to the MIT Class of 2006.

The Admissions Committee has identified you as one of the most talented and promising students in this year's extraordinary applicant pool - quite a feat! We specifically selected you not just for your excellent academic preparation, but also for your initiative, style and character. We really believe that we are well matched for each other.

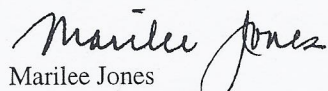
You will have offers of admission from many fine schools, but naturally we hope that you'll choose to enroll at MIT. To help you make that decision you are invited to be our guest at MIT's Campus Preview Weekend for all admitted prefrash held from Thursday, April 4th through Sunday, April 7th. Please see the enclosed invitation for details. During this visit you will be able to meet MIT students, faculty, staff, alumni, and your future classmates. You'll attend classes and special Institute lectures; eat the food; live the life. In short, you'll be able to experience MIT for what it really is and see if there is a fit for you. It will be fun, so please plan to come...and bring your parents, who are also invited.

If you cannot come to campus that weekend, we still urge you to come for an overnight visit before May 1. Many MIT students believe that the campus visit was the deciding factor in their choice to enroll. Just call the Admissions Office at (617) 258-5515 a week in advance, and we'll arrange for you to stay overnight with an undergraduate host, any Sunday through Thursday (except March 25-29, MIT's Spring Break). If you can't come to campus at all, but would like to talk with a student, an MIT undergraduate will be calling you over the next few weeks. And finally, don't forget to check our special admitted student website <web.mit.edu/admissions/www/2006>.

Please contact us in the Admissions Office if you need anything, and don't forget to return the enclosed reply form by May 1. I hope you are as thrilled about this offer as we are and that you will take the night off to celebrate with your loved ones. (As a mother, I also expect you to get right back to work tomorrow and finish up the year with top grades, since MIT does not admit slackers and this offer of admission is contingent upon your successful completion of the school year.) I hope that you'll agree with us that MIT is the perfect place to prepare you for your future role in a world that badly needs you.

Congratulations and I hope to see you on campus!

Sincerely,


Marilee Jones
Dean of Admissions