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Dear Clayton:

Congratulations! The Admissions Committee and I take great pleasure in offering you a place in the Duke University Class of 2006. We are delighted to give you the opportunity to become part of the Duke community.

You should be extremely proud of your achievements. Your many successes in and outside of the classroom have earned you a place among the world's best students. The competition this year was exceptionally keen — we received over 15,800 applications for just 1,600 places in the first-year class. The students we have admitted come from across the country and around the world, and bring to Duke an extraordinary variety of interests, backgrounds, experiences, and talents. You and your classmates can expect to be challenged intellectually, to form enduring bonds of friendship and community, and to share in the excitement of discovery that pervades our campus.

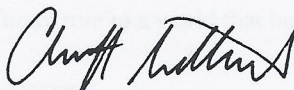
I especially want to draw your attention to the enclosed invitation to Blue Devil Days, our series of one-day on-campus programs for accepted students which takes place in April. I strongly encourage you to attend, as it will provide you with the perspective you need to make this important decision, and you will be able to experience personally the enthusiasm Duke generates among the members of its community.

To become a member of the Class of 2006, we only need you to complete some paperwork. In this folder is a reply card — please return it to us along with a \$200 deposit postmarked by May 1 in order to hold your space in the entering class. If you find that you must decline this offer, I would appreciate it if you would return the form to us anyway.

Your packet also includes vital information regarding financial aid, housing, and other campus services. Please read this material carefully. Once you decide to enroll, you will be hearing from a number of different departments of the University over the coming months, and this material will give you important background information.

You have my warmest congratulations on your admission to Duke. The faculty and I look forward to having you among us this fall.

Sincerely,



Christoph Guttentag
Director of Undergraduate Admissions