My name is Xavier Chambers. I am a graduate of Lancaster High School and would like to become a part of the Dallas Baptist University family. For me, attending DBU would mean more than just enrolling in a popular university. As a product of a single parent home, faith is my family tradition. So it would only be fitting to continue that tradition at a university with such a strong faith base. Also, my mentor is a DBU graduate. So it would be honorable following her lead. Further, attending DBU can propel me to gain a quality education in the fields of business and art. And, mastering the ability to integrate faith with learning would be an exceptional benefit.

Within a year, I have learned that life is about choices. While all choices can be daunting, you must take accountability of your life and set goals that are meaningful. I am taking the first step by making a choice to apply to DBU. That step may seem small, but for someone used to the safety of a small, close-knit family and community, moving out of my comfort zone into the real world is paramount.

Realizing that attending college is an option for me is the next big step toward my success. Since I was young, I’ve had a passion for drawing—triangles squares, circles, and rectangles—shapes put together to form magnificence. My perception of artwork gives value to how art is more than scribbles on a piece of paper or canvas. Art is the perception of reality. Since curves, lines, texture and colors continue to interest me, being able to hone my skills at DBU, will play a major role in my success as an artist, art teacher, art curator and art-preneur.

Preparing for my future is significant, especially when choosing the correct path to peruse my goals. The student-focused education DBU offers in the areas of business education and art education will aid in the development of my skills in both areas. Being educated at DBU will provide the basis and foundation I will need to understand what businesses and consumers want and need, and then be able to convert that knowledge into solutions as an engaged, influential artist and business expert.

Finally, attending DBU will allow me to become a part of something much larger than myself. Obtaining my degree from such a prestigious institution will not only satisfy my self-challenge of becoming a more responsible individual, it will force me to remain accountable for myself and my future. I will also be granted the academic challenge of mastering a reliance on faith—a goal that I plan to accomplish for my personal growth and contentment, thereby giving my peers a standard by which to measure my accomplishments and achievements.

Thank you your considerations and time. I hope to return soon as a student to discover the power of ideas, relationships and academics that I know exist within the walls of academia at the Dallas Baptist University.