STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN SWEET BRIAR COLLEGE AND THE VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

This agreement is designed to facilitate the transfer of students from the Virginia Community College System to Sweet Briar College for the purpose of entering a Bachelor's Degree program.

SECTION 1:

Upon receipt of a completed application, an official transcript, and a current recommendation from transfer counselor, Sweet Briar College will guarantee automatic acceptance to students graduating from the Virginia Community College System with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher (calculated from those courses applied to the degree) in an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree.

- 2. Virginia Community College students admitted to Sweet Briar College will have all transferable academic credits accepted at full value. Credits earned at accredited institutions other than Virginia Community Colleges to satisfy the Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees will be treated on an equal basis as credits earned from Virginia Community Colleges.
- 3. Virginia Community College graduates can expect to graduate with a baccalaureate degree after the successful completion of a minimum of 60 credits at Sweet Briar College.
- 4. Sweet Briar College will develop a transfer guide for use by counselors, faculty and students throughout the Virginia Community College System. This guide will be reviewed and updated on a regular basis. Virginia Community Colleges will urge associate degree students planning to transfer to Sweet Briar College to follow course recommendations as listed in the transfer guide. Sweet Briar College will provide academic advising when requested for any student considering transfer to Sweet Briar College.

SECTION 2:

1. The Virginia Community College System agrees to give appropriate publicity about the advantages of direct transfer of its students to Sweet Briar College.

- 2. The application fee usually charged by Sweet Briar College will be waived, provided all application materials are submitted by July 1 for fall term enrollment and November 15 for spring term enrollment.
- 3. All Virginia Community College graduates who transfer to Sweet Briar College are eligible for financial aid and scholarships on the same basis as any other Sweet Briar College student.

SECTION 3:

- 1. Any changes, additions, or deletions to this agreement shall be made only after consultation with and agreement among officials at both institutions.
- 2. This State of Agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice to the other party of an intention to terminate. Such notice shall be effective only if given 180 days prior to the intended date of termination.
- 3. The above provisions are mutually agreed to and shall go into effect when signed by the appropriate institutional representatives. They shall remain in force until superseded by official action by either institution.

Approved:

Glenn DuBois, Chancellor

Virginia Community College System

Elisabeth S. Muhlenfeld, President

Sweet Briar College

Approved:

Date