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## One of the best ways to save for your future is to join your employer's plan

## Here's all you need to do before you enroll:

1. Decide how much to save.

Consider saving $12 \%$ to $15 \%$ of your pay, including any contributions your employer might make. If you can't save that much now, save as much as you can and increase your contribution rate later.
2. Pick your investments. If your plan offers all-in-one investment options, consider investing in one of them, or you can invest in a mix of funds.
3. Choose a beneficiary. This will help ensure that your plan assets are distributed according to your wishes in the event of your death.


For details on joining the plan, refer to the enclosed information.

## Why now is the best time to enroll

If you're tempted to put off enrolling in the plan, don't. The sooner you start saving, the more opportunity your money will have to grow.

To illustrate, consider the following hypothetical example. An employee earning $\$ 30,000$ joins the plan right away and invests $12 \%$ annually. The employee retires in 20 years with a balance of $\$ 132,428$. In contrast, if this same employee postpones joining this plan for five years, the ending balance is only $\$ 83,793$.


Example assumes a salary of $\$ 30,000$ with annual contributions of $12 \%$ and average annual earnings of $6 \%$. This hypothetical illustration does not represent the return on any particular investment. The final account balances do not reflect any taxes or penalties that may be due upon distribution. The $\$ 132,428$ figure was calculated based on 20 years of investing in the plan; the $\$ 83,793$ figure was calculated based on 15 years of plan participation. Withdrawals from a tax-deferred investment before age $591 / 2$ are subject to a $10 \%$ federal penalty tax unless an exception applies.

Find out how much money you may need to retire at vanguard.com /retirementincomecalculator.

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