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MONTHLY MEMO FOR COUNSELORS

From the Executive Director

Dear Counselors,

I cannot believe that July, my favorite month of the year, is already at its end. At least football season is on the horizon. As the passing time compels us to think about getting back to school, I wanted to share information as you start the next cycle with your students.

MyCoalition: Always Open for Students

As early as ninth grade, students can create a MyCoalition account and begin completing their Profile, accumulating documentation of achievements, and connecting with mentors. On July 1, individual college applications began opening for students who are preparing to apply to college as first time, first year students. This year over 130 colleges and universities plan to accept the Coalition Application. The University of Florida, University of Maryland, University of Washington-Bothell, University of Washington-Seattle, and Virginia Tech replaced institutional applications with the Coalition Application as a single application option for students. For a complete list of schools that offer the Coalition Application, please visit our website.

Secondary School Document Submission

As a reminder, school counselors can submit required secondary school materials to all Coalition colleges and universities through any system, including, SCOIR, Maia Learning, Naviance, and Parchment. If you prefer, the Coalition offers a free and simple option to upload student materials.

Fall Kick-Off Webinars

We invite you to join us for a webinar to learn about MyCoalition, especially new features for the upcoming year! This presentation will offer a live demonstration of key components as well as ample time for questions and answers. Presentations are offered on Tuesday, August 14 at 1:00 PM ET, Thursday, August 16 at 1:00 PM ET and Thursday, August 30 at 4:00 PM ET. Please register through this link.

Student Support Resources

I am passing along the resources that we shared with students this month in the event that you find them useful for your students. This month, we shared information with seniors to help them get started on their college essay, including some advice from member colleges. We also suggested that younger students think about gaining experience outside of school and tracking experiences in their Locker.

I hope that this helps you to prepare for the year while you grab hold of some fleeting summer moments!

Most Sincerely,

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