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MONTHLY MEMO FOR COUNSELORS

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From the Executive Director

Dear Counselors,

'Tis the season for thanksgiving! I'd like to begin this message by offering appreciation to my counseling colleagues who have offered much support to the Coalition during this pilot year. I would also like to share resources that may be useful to you as you prepare to introduce students to the Coalition Platform and Application.

Coalition Counselor Community

In the spirit of the upcoming holiday, I'd like to offer my sincere thanks to the counselors who have supported the Coalition as members of the [Coalition Counselor Community](#). This group of 62 counselors from public schools, private schools, and community based organizations have supported the Coalition in a variety of ways, including providing feedback, advisement, or support to peers. The Coalition is incredibly fortunate to have the wisdom of this group to support our work. To the Coalition Counselor Community and those of you who have been informally ardent supporters, thank you for helping solve problems, offering words of wisdom, sharing stories of students, contributing contagious enthusiasm, and most of all exhibiting patience and grace.

Introducing the Coalition Platform to Students

In addition to the resources that are available on our website intended for counselors, we wanted to support your work with students by offering resources specifically geared toward introducing students to the Coalition Platform and Application. The first presentation designed to introduce younger students to the Coalition tools, such as the Locker and Collaboration Space, as well as other free, web based resources that promote early engagement with the college process, can be found at this [link](#). The second presentation is designed to introduce prospective applicants to the Coalition. You can access and download the presentation through the following link:

<https://uchicago.app.box.com/v/coalitionstudentintroduction>.

If you know of a colleague who would like to receive communication from the Coalition, please invite them to request additional information at the bottom of our [home page](#). Wishing you a season filled with an "attitude of gratitude" as we say in my home!

Most sincerely,

Annie Reznik