



MONTHLY MEMO FOR COUNSELORS

November 2017

From the Executive Director

Dear Counselors,

As I hunker down with a warm beverage in suddenly chilly November, I am writing to share a few timely updates as we move toward the end of the year.

New Feature: Share an Application

Your students can now create a PDF copy of their application and share it directly from their Locker! At any point during their application process, students can create a copy of their Profile or College Specific Questions which will be saved in their Locker. Students can create a copy even if they have not yet completed a Profile section. We are really excited that students will have a chance to use this feature to collaborate with supporters, including counselors, community based advisors, and others working with students and helping to fill the advocacy gap. You can review a video overview of this feature [here](#).

Coming Attraction: Fee Waiver for Veterans

In honor of Veterans Day, we are proud to announce a new college application fee waiver for members of the U.S. Armed Forces. Participating Coalition colleges will allow veterans and current service members to apply for free through the Coalition's online application; the waiver will be available in 2018 for students applying for the 2019-2020 academic year. Read the full announcement [here](#).

Coalition in the News

The Coalition Application has encouraged colleges and universities to offer new and better opportunities for students to own their narrative. Read a bit about it here (and don't miss Justin's video—it is a real Veteran's Day treat!): [What Colleges Want in an Applicant \(Everything\)](#).

[Student Webinar: November 13 at 7:00 PM ET](#)

Last month, we hosted a Q&A webinar for students in advance of November 1 application deadlines. We had over 100 students join us and they asked questions for 90 minutes as we shared live answers via video conference. We will offer the same opportunity for students completing applications in advance of November 15 deadlines. We hope your students will join us! Students can [register here](#) and you can click [here](#) to share the info with your students by email!

We're also hosting a few other web sessions to connect with us so check them out [here](#).

To conclude, I'd like to offer my thanks to all of you. Thank you for loving your students enough to believe more of them than they believe of themselves. Thank you for advocating passionately for your students with thoughtful letters of support. Thank you for making a path where there isn't one, and showing your students how to do the same. I hope that together we can continue create avenues to support your amazing students.

Most Sincerely,

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