



MONTHLY MEMO FOR COUNSELORS

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From the Executive Director

Dear Counselors,

As you wrap up work with your students for 2017 and look to next year, we want to share a few resources that may help your students.

For students: This Wednesday, December 20 at 7:00 PM ET we will be offering an online webinar for students. Please feel free to [share the registration link](#) with students who could use support before they submit their applications.

We pulled together some forms to support students as they revise essays in advance of upcoming deadlines—[feel free to send them the links!](#)

For teachers: As part of our counselor manual, we now offer a [section dedicated to academic recommenders](#). Please feel free to [share this information with your teachers](#) who will submit academic recommendations through the Coalition.

As you think about introducing students to the college process this spring, I want to share some ways that the Coalition can help. MyCoalition, our set of free, online planning tools, helps students learn about, prepare for, and apply to college. By registering for a MyCoalition account, [all students receive free resources](#) to stay on track in high school and pave the way to applying to college. Whether they're storing and organizing their work, collaborating with their mentors, or [building their college list](#), students who begin the college application process early are on the path to success.

In addition to its convenient digital storage [Locker](#) and interactive [Collaboration Space](#), MyCoalition also provides informative articles and other valuable resources for college preparation, including: articles covering a variety of college search and application process topics available to all students, regular email messages that build awareness with a dose of encouragement to stay on course and apply, and web-based workshops (like the one this week) open to all students on key topics, such as, [writing your college essay](#) or an open forum Q&A to help students meet application deadlines.

With the darkest days of the year upon us, I am living warm beverage to warm beverage. May your cup be filled with warmth this season!

Most Sincerely,

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