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*Memo from the Executive Director  
July 2019*

Dear Counselors,

July offers us a month to celebrate the past school year and begin thinking about the fun that lies ahead in the new school year. This month, I'll enjoy sketching out plans for the year ahead in a fresh planner--there is something about writing ideas out on paper that makes the work feel like it is in summer vacation mode. I'll also spend time playing kickball in bare feet, diving into a cool lake, and eating homemade blueberry pie. While you enjoy the respite of July, I hope this information helps as you plan for the year ahead, too.

### **Fall Kick-Off Webinars**

We invite you to learn more about MyCoalition, especially new features for the upcoming year! We will offer a live demonstration with time for questions and answers. Presentations are offered on Monday, August 19 at 1:00 PM ET and Thursday, September 5 at 1:00 PM ET. Please [register to join us](#).

### **Getting Ready for NACAC**

With the new fiscal year underway, many of you are starting to make your travel arrangements for NACAC. I wanted to highlight two opportunities to connect with Team Coalition while you are in Louisville.

First, we are offering a **Coalition Counselor Workshop** on Thursday, September 26 from 8:30 AM to 11:00 AM in the Conference Theatre of the Hyatt Regency Louisville (320 W Jefferson St, Louisville, KY 40202). During the hands-on training session, your colleagues will provide insight about using MyCoalition to support students, colleges and universities will offer a glimpse into the value of their participation in the Coalition, and we will have ample time for conversation about future improvements, too. Please [register to join us for this free session](#).

In addition to our first NACAC workshop, we are thrilled to serve as sponsors of this year's **Access College Fair** which will take place from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. on Friday, September 27. We would love to have you stop by to say hello during this awesome event. And, if you are part of an access organization, we encourage you to [register to promote your organization](#) in Louisville.

### **Important Reminders for the New School Year**

- **MyCoalition: Always Open for Students**  
As early as ninth grade, students can create a MyCoalition account and begin completing their Profile, documenting experiences, and connecting with mentors. On July 1, our members began opening their applications for the upcoming fall term.
- **Secondary School Document Submission**  
As a reminder, school officials can submit required materials through any system, including, SCOIR, Maia Learning, Naviance, and Parchment. The Coalition also offers a free and simple option to upload student materials—counselor appreciate that you can upload a student's materials just once and it will be available to your student throughout the cycle.
- **Supporting Students**  
As you connect with students this summer and in the beginning of the schools year, I wanted to share some resources that may be helpful. Are you encouraging seniors to [get started on their college essay](#)? Share some [advice from member colleges](#). You can also encourage younger students think about [gaining experience outside of school](#) and [tracking experiences in their Locker](#).

I hope that this helps you prepare for the year ahead while you celebrate with summer fun!

Most sincerely,

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