

Frequently Asked Questions

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My school uses Maia Learning/Naviance/Parchment/etc.—can I still send materials if my students use the Coalition Application?

There is no disruption to your school-based process of sending electronic materials on a student's behalf when they use the Coalition Application. In Naviance, for instance, you will send materials directly to the college/university through eDocs. Counselors can continue to send materials as they always have and the colleges and universities will receive those materials.

Students can simply check a box when they get to the Official Documents portion of their Coalition Application confirming that the school will send materials via another route or platform.

Which schools accept the Coalition Application? Why are some schools deferring?

You can view <u>a list of the over 100 schools that will accept the Coalition Application</u> this year. You will notice that some schools have chosen to defer accepting the Coalition Application until 2018. The following are the most widely offered reasons that a member is planning to accept the Coalition application in 2018 rather than 2017:

1. Institutional integration

Some member schools have information systems that require a bit more time for integration and so schools have made the choice to defer until they are able to ensure seamless integration for file review.

2. Administrative alterations

For some schools, institutional policies or even state laws have delayed a school's ability to accept the Coalition application. These schools have deferred to ensure that they have properly and precisely complied with internal policies.

3. Planned upgrades

A third category of schools have plans to upgrade or alter their own institutional systems and have decided to defer until 2018 so that they can handle integration for the Coalition application at the same time that another new technology will be onboarded.

Which schools are Coalition "exclusive"?

The <u>University of Florida</u>, <u>University of Maryland</u>, and <u>University of Washington</u> plan to offer the Coalition application in place of the one institutional application that they have used in the past.



These three schools have always had one institutional application in the past. They have decided to accept the Coalition Application in place of that one application—so they are actually Coalition *inclusive*: for the first time students will be able to apply to their institutions as well as other colleges and universities on a single platform.

The Coalition believes in **inclusivity**, rather than exclusivity. While we are a member organization, all of our resources aim to be inclusive in providing students and supporters of students every opportunity to aim for college. The Coalition does not believe that we have the corner on access. MyCoalition not only provides another avenue for students to apply to colleges using the Coalition Application, but also provides free college planning tools for all students, regardless of which schools they apply to and attend.