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Dear Colleague:

For many years, the Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC) has provided an online college admissions application portal and related functionality through its partner XAP to our postsecondary partners free of charge. To date, this service has processed more than two million college admissions applications.

In recent years though, the usage of this functionality has waned. Feedback has indicated that a more customized application unique to each campus and its student population better meets institutional needs. Similarly, some institutions are now utilizing application modules available within their existing student information systems or are contracting with other private vendors to provide the same or similar functionality.

As a result, GSFC will end its online admissions application feature on June 30, 2018. Postsecondary institutions should ensure a system is in place to manage their admissions applications, including fee transaction processing, by that date. On July 1, 2018, GSFC will update its website to include a link to each institution's externally hosted application if such a link is provided to us by May 31, 2018.

If your institution would like to continue to use the XAP admissions application, please contact us to discuss options for the current application feature to remain uninterrupted on a per application fee basis.

We have coordinated this decision with central office staff of the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia. We encourage member institutions to reach out to the staff of those offices with questions on how this change may impact your institution. For some, it will have no impact.

We appreciate your understanding and support as we continue to hone our mission as it relates to providing financial choices to students in support of postsecondary access. Please provide the link for your institution's application page to Phil Schlesinger, Vice President of Customer Communications, at phils@gsfc.org. You may also contact him with any questions related to this change or to discuss continuing your institution's application service on a fee basis.

Sincerely,

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