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ApplyTexas Payment Processing

Dear admissions and enrollment management partners,

Thank you for the feedback you've provided and the conversations we've had over the past few weeks. We hear your concerns regarding the removal of payment processing from ApplyTexas. We also understand that available payment processing options through Texas.gov will not be a viable solution to meet institutions' needs. However, current state guidelines limit our ability to use third-party payment gateways. As a result, we will need to remove payment processing from ApplyTexas until we can collectively identify a more appropriate solution. This means that when the new ApplyTexas launches in May 2024, payment will not be accepted within ApplyTexas and students will be prompted to pay institutions directly. We are committed to continuing to explore options to reintroduce payment processing as soon as possible. We also plan to share approaches institutions are taking to address this issue for the upcoming admissions cycle. If you are willing to share your approach so others may consider and apply your strategies, please complete this <u>survey</u>.

We appreciate your partnership as we continue to work toward the release of the new ApplyTexas and are committed to ensuring your success. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any additional questions or concerns.

With regards,

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