IDOC Deadlines & FAQ's about the College Board's IDOC Service

What is IDOC?

The College Board collects copies of families' federal tax returns and other documents on behalf of participating colleges and programs through their Institutional Documentation Service.

What is Dickinson College's IDOC deadline?

We ask that families submit their IDOC materials within one week of the appropriate admission application deadline:

Admission Program	Admission & Financial Aid Postmark Deadline	IDOC Deadline
Early Decision I	November 15	November 22
Early Decision II	January 15	January 22
Regular Decision	January 15	January 22

Transfer Students' should have their materials submitted by April 1 for the fall term and November 1 for the spring term. Community College Partnership deadlines are March 1 for the fall and October 1 for the spring. Returning Student deadline is May 1st.

My parents are divorced (or separated or were never married). Do you income tax returns from both households?

While Dickinson College requires a CSS Profile from both households, we do not require the Noncustodial Parent's tax return and W2 forms.

What should I do if I can't meet the published deadline?

Return the documents requested to the College Board as soon as possible. Contact the colleges and programs that requested the information and explain your circumstances.

Can we submit a partial upload of the required IDOC materials now and upload the rest of the information at a later date?

Yes, you may upload materials to IDOC as soon as they are available. Please be sure to meet the IDOC Deadline above.

How long does it take to process my information once the College Board receives it?

It takes about five business days to process the information once the College Board receives it.

If a student's parents do not have a SSN/SIN, what should the student enter in the IDOC portal?

If a parent, student, or spouse has no SSN or SIN, then they should leave the field blank. They should not enter a dummy number. They should make sure that the name listed in family information matches the name they have on their documents exactly (no nicknames, don't use a hyphenated name in one place and not the other, etc.). They should also be sure to write their IDOC ID number on the documents that don't have it already, such as foreign tax returns.