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Dear High School Principal:

I am writing to tell you that the online nomination deadline for the inaugural Connecticut Scholars Award Program (*formerly the Governor’s Scholars Award Program*) has been extended. The program is designed to honor the academic achievements of a select group of Connecticut high school junior year students.

A committee of educators from throughout Connecticut will select finalists from nominations submitted by CAS member high schools. Nominees are assigned a composite score based on PSAT scores and a timed (one-hour) student essay that is completed online. **All nominees must be:**

1. a legal resident of Connecticut
2. a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident alien
3. a high school junior in a CAS member school
4. within the top 5% of his/her class.

Finalists will be invited to attend the Connecticut Scholars Luncheon in May and will receive a plaque and the opportunity to enrich their studies on a college campus before graduation from high school. Semi-finalists will receive certificates, and schools are encouraged to recognize them locally in their school communities.

The online nomination has been extended to February 12, 2020. The online nomination is to be completed by you with the assistance of the nominee’s school counselor. To submit an online nomination, please visit our website at <http://cas.casciac.org/> and click on the Member Login near the top of the Homepage.



CAS member login information remains the same from year to year. If you do not know your school’s member login information, please contact Noreen Liberopoulos at nliberopoulos@casciac.org or at 203-250-1111. CAS will release this information to the principal ONLY.

- Enter School Number and Login ID
- Click on **Login to Member Area**
- Select **"View/Submit Connecticut Scholars Online Application."** Please read all information carefully.
- Enter information and hit **"Submit."** The principal and the school counselor (entered on the nomination form) will receive an immediate email response that confirms the nomination has been successfully submitted and provides information regarding the next steps.

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Please ensure that your nominee meets all eligibility requirements before beginning the nomination process. Once your nomination is submitted, you will receive a confirmation email that provides the next steps for the **March 6, 2020** online essay. The snow date for the online essay is March 9th. The online essay must be submitted between 8:00 am and 3:00 pm.

Before submitting your nomination, you must ensure that your nominee will be available **in school** on the designated essay dates to participate in the online essay process.

Timeline:

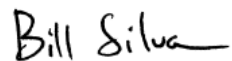
- **Online Nomination extended to February 12, 2020**
- **Online Essay Date is Friday, March 6, 2020 (snow date is Monday, March 9th)**

The snow date will be made available to your nominee ONLY if your school is not in session on the initial date.

Should you have any questions regarding the Connecticut Scholars Program or the application process, please contact Noreen Liberopoulos at nliberopoulos@casciac.org or at 203-250-1111.

On behalf of the Connecticut Scholars Committee, I wish your nominee the best of luck.

Sincerely,



Bill Silva
Associate Executive Director