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THE CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS

GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS AWARD PROGRAM Important Information

January 4, 2016

Dear High School Principal:

On behalf of the Connecticut Association of Schools and Berchem, Moses & Devlin, I am writing to tell you about the Twentieth Annual Governor's Scholars Award Program, a program designed to honor the academic achievements of a select group of Connecticut high school juniors.

A committee of educators from throughout Connecticut will select finalists from nominations submitted by the 197 CAS member high schools. Nominees are assigned a composite score based on position in class*, PSAT or SAT scores, and a timed (one-hour) student essay.

All finalists will be invited to attend the Governor's Scholars awards presentation in May. Finalists will receive a plaque and the opportunity to enrich their studies on a college campus before graduation from high school. Semi-finalists receive certificates and are recognized locally in their school communities.

As of the 2015-2016 school year:

The application will be completed **online** by the principal with the assistance of the nominee's guidance counselor. CAS will release the login information to the principal **only**. To submit an online application, please visit our website at www.cas.casciac.org and click on the Member Login near the top of the Homepage.



- **Enter School Number and Login ID**
- **Select "View/Submit Governor's Scholars Program Application". Please read all information carefully.**
- **Print the essay question and signature page which includes a checklist of required documentation.**
- **Enter information and hit "Submit". You will receive an immediate email response that confirms your application has been submitted.**

Please ensure that your nominee meets all eligibility requirements before beginning the application process. We ask that you submit your nominee's online application and then mail the essay, signature page and required documentation to CAS. Please ensure that an online application has been submitted and that **all** required documentation has been compiled **before** approving and mailing your nominee's packet for our committee's consideration.

The online application and all required documentation must be submitted/postmarked no later than **Monday, March 7, 2016** and mailed to:

Noreen Liberopoulos, Program Manager
Connecticut Association of Schools
30 Realty Drive
Cheshire, CT 06410

Should you have any questions regarding the Governor's Scholars Program or the application process, please contact Noreen Liberopoulos at nliberopoulos@casciac.org.

Please note that it is difficult to contact schools with requests for missing information. Missing documentation may result in the nominee's and school's disqualification.

On behalf of the Governor's Scholars Committee, I wish your nominee the best of luck.

Sincerely,



Timothy M. Breslin, Ph.D.
Assistant Executive Director

cc: Guidance Department Chairperson

*** It is understood that some schools no longer use rank for college admission and other public purposes, however, the nominated student must be representative of the top 5% of his/her class.**