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THE CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS

February 18, 2019

Dear Middle Level School Principal,

The Connecticut Association of Schools takes great pleasure in announcing that the 35th Annual Connecticut Middle Level Scholar-Leader Banquet will be held on Monday, June 3, 2019, at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Selection Criteria: This program is designed to give public recognition to two students in each middle level school in Connecticut who have distinguished themselves in scholarship and leadership in school and community. The academic standard established by CAS is based on a cumulative middle school average of at least 85% or "B" or 3.0 on a 4-point scale or the equivalent standard of excellence for schools that do not use any of these scales. For leadership, schools are welcome to create their own standards but are encouraged to consider active participation in school and community organizations, citizenship, a positive influence on school climate, dependability, responsibility, character, and integrity. *The award may go to two students of either gender or to two students of the same gender.*

Scholar Leaders, their parents, and school officials, up to a total of ten, are invited to attend this statewide awards banquet. Scholar Leaders will receive a plaque signifying the honor. Scholar Leaders from CAS member schools will attend the banquet as guests of the Connecticut Association of Schools. The cost for all other attendees from CAS middle level member schools will be \$40.00 per person (*Please send one check to cover all attendees*). Schools that are not middle level members of CAS are welcome to participate in the program for an additional fee of \$100 and will be required to pay for their scholar leaders' dinners as well.

Coordinating a major event for over 1,500 people requires a great deal of advance planning; therefore, it will not be possible to admit anyone who has not been previously registered by the principal. Confirmation and table assignments will be sent to you prior to the banquet. Schools will be seated in the order that their **completed** registrations are received. An early response of a completed registration will determine a favorable seating location. Please do not submit a partial registration form. The deadline for registration is **May 10, 2019**.

Scholar-Leader Banquet registration must be completed online. Please verify the spelling of your honorees' names so that their plaques are correct and have the names of each guest from your school attending before you begin the online registration. This banquet will be served *Family Style*. The beef, chicken, and vegetarian entrees will be served at every table. There will be no need to provide meal selections for each guest who attends this banquet. If any guest has a food allergy or dietary restriction, please notify Barbara O'Connor at boconnor@casciac.org.

To register, visit our website at <u>www.casciac.org</u> and click on the *member login option* in the upper left-hand corner. You will then *enter your school number and login ID*. Once you have successfully logged in, select *View/Edit Scholar-Leader Reservation Form* from the list of options and hit the *continue* button. Fill in the required information for the banquet, and hit *submit*. You will receive an immediate email response to confirm that your reservation was successfully submitted so please use the email address of the person in charge of organizing your school's attendance at the banquet.

We look forward to receiving your reservations and seeing you at the banquet.

Sincerely,

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