MEMO TO:

Superintendents, High School Principals, High School Counselors and/or Coordinators

FROM:

Aristofanes Cedeño, Executive Director and Academic Dean

<u>**RE**</u>: Extension of Originally Announced January Deadlines for Schools and School Districts to Submit Their Nominees' Applications to the State-Level Competition

The Governor's Scholars Program, in an effort to accommodate the needs of the 2021 applicants who were unable to take the required standardized test due to the fact that the organizations offering standardized tests gave priority to high school seniors, is extending the originally announced January deadlines for Schools and School Districts to submit their nominees' applications to the State-level Competition.

New Deadlines for Schools and School Districts

January 25, 2021 - Last day for school districts with only one school, private schools, and homeschool students to mail notifications and completed applications to the Governor's Scholars Program. (Student's deadline to school is prior to this date.)

February 8, 2021 - Last day for school districts with more than one school in the district (requiring a district selection committee) to mail notifications and completed applications to the Governor's Scholars Program. (Student's deadline to schools and to district is prior to this date.)

With these changes, the Governor's Scholars Program emphasizes its flexibility, and therefore, advises the schools and school districts to modify their timeline accordingly as/if necessary, so that:

- a) Potential applicants are able to take the ACT offered December 12^{th} , as/if needed. As a reminder, the GSP accepts the ACT, the SAT, and the PSAT from the 9^{th} , 10^{th} , or 11^{th} grade;
- b) If the students take the Act on December 12th, ask the students to have an official print out of the scores, if they have access to it, for school consideration before the official scores are submitted to the school by the ACT office;
- c) Conduct your internal selection of the applicants;
- d) Adhere to the above-mentioned deadlines for your school or school district.

Should you have a specific questions regarding the process of submission to the Governor's Scholars Program, please contact our office at 502-209-4420 or email Beth Carrier at beth.carrier@gspky.org