

**FROM:** Governor's Scholars Program

**TO:** School and District Coordinators of the GSP Application and Selection Process

With the sudden cancelation of the ACT scheduled to be offered on Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 in a number of locations in Kentucky, the Governor's Scholars Program intends to remain as flexible as possible and therefore recommends the following steps to be taken at the school and/or school district internal competitions:

- a) Please continue the selection process at your level and as/if needed, allow the students without a standardized test score to register and take either the PSAT (to be offered January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021) or the next ACT (to be offered February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021).
- b) Considering that the current deadline to submit to the State-level competition the school or district nominees is Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021 for school districts with only one school and Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 for districts with two or more schools, if your school or district finds the need to allow students without a standardized test score to take the PSAT or ACT (see point above), please get in touch with the GSP Office to get further advice as to how to proceed.

Please be advised that at the present time, the Governor's Scholars Program is not automatically extending the deadlines mentioned above, but will study the situation as/if needed and update this website information appropriately in the upcoming weeks.

As a reminder, the following standardized tests are acceptable for the competition of the Governor's Scholars Program:

PSAT taken during the ninth, tenth or eleventh grade

ACT taken during the ninth, tenth, or eleventh grade

SAT taken during the ninth, tenth, or eleventh grade

**A NOTE FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS:**

The Governor's Scholars Program Application and Selection Process begins at the School level. In the case of schools within a district that has two or more schools, that process continues at the District level. The Office of the Governor's Scholars Program offers advice and works with the schools or districts as/if needed, but each school/district sets its own deadlines and guidelines. Therefore, if you have any specific questions related to the process before the State-level competition, for consistency purposes kindly refer to the School Counselor or Coordinator in charge of the GSP process at that level.