



EDUCATION AND LABOR CABINET

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TO: 2026 Governor's Scholars and Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s)

FROM: Jen Price, Executive Director

DATE: April 9, 2026

RE: More Details about GSP

We are delighted to welcome you to the 2026 Governor's Scholars Program and look forward to meeting you in June!

As a reminder, all room, board, tuition, and field trip expenses for your stay will be covered by the Governor's Scholars Program (GSP). We have a number of required documents for you to submit which are listed and described below. You will submit all forms online through a secure site called Formsite. If you have any questions about any of the forms, need help with the submission process, or prefer to submit paper forms, please call our office at 502-209-4420 or email our Application & Selection Coordinator at helen.stringer@gspky.org.

If your plans have changed and you are not able to accept the position as a Governor's Scholar, please complete and submit the [Notice of Non-Attendance Form](#) right away.

Important dates are noted below so that you will have a handy reminder of opening and closing days as well as deadlines for submitting information to us.

Required Documents (complete these with your parent/guardian)

1. [Personal Information Form](#)
2. [Learning Contract](#)
 - a. You will be directed to options for paying a \$44.00 damage deposit within this form.
3. [Permission & Release Form](#)
4. [Medical Information Form](#) with a copy of your health insurance card (front & back)
5. [Immunization Certificate](#) (Expiration date should not be before July 1, 2026)

Optional Documents:

1. [Session Request](#) (should only be submitted if you have a truly extenuating need to attend a specific session)

2026 Governor's Scholars Program Important Dates

- May 1 Last day for Scholars to accept or decline their appointments.
Those accepting must submit the required documents by this date (see links above or at gsp.ky.gov under "Scholars" then "Important Documents")
- Those declining must return the "Notice of Non-Attendance" form by this date.**
- May 1 Last day for Scholars to request a specific session because they have valid scheduling conflicts. Requests for campus assignments will not be considered after this date except in case of extreme emergencies. All requests must be submitted with supporting documentation to be considered.
- Campuses are staggered to allow scholars to participate in other major events before or after they attend the Program. Leaves of absence are only granted for emergencies and must be approved by the Campus Director. Scholars are expected to arrive on the campus to which they are assigned on Opening Day, not thereafter, and to stay the full five weeks.
- May 19 Latest date for the Governor's Scholars Program to mail notifications to Scholars of campus and Focus Area assignments. This notification will provide additional information about Opening Day events including what time you should arrive. Once you receive that information, you will need to make plans with your parents or guardians for transportation. We hope they will be able to accompany you because we are planning a specific Opening Day meeting for them, as well as for you.

<u>Session I</u>		<u>Session II</u>		<u>Session III</u>	
June 13	Opening Day	June 14	Opening Day	June 21	Opening Day
June 27	Family Day	June 28	Family Day	July 5	Family Day
July 17	Closing Day	July 18	Closing Day	July 25	Closing Day

Should you or your family have questions or problems you need to discuss with us, please call our central office at 502-209-4420. For additional information, such as what to pack, you may visit our website at gsp.ky.gov. We look forward to meeting you and your family, and we know it will be an exciting five weeks for you in the Governor's Scholars Program this summer!

