

## College Bound Scholarship Updates – Emergency Proclamation Key Takeaways

Governor Inslee has declared an emergency proclamation addressing the impact of COVID-19 on the College Bound Scholarship application process. For 30 days, this proclamation will remove signature requirements and automatically complete the application for any student who has an open application. This proclamation begins on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and ends on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021. There are some key pieces of information that our office wants to emphasize:

- **Schools do not need to upload their students during this time.**

We are working with OSPI to add eligible 7-9<sup>th</sup> grade students. It will create duplicates if schools do additional uploads.

- **Schools do not need to inform families.**

After the 30 days has passed, we will send out certificates with a letter to families outlining why their application was completed. We will post the letter on our website for counselor reference when it is ready.

- **Schools do not need to send us unsigned forms.**

Our office will have all the data to make applications complete.

- **Students will not be imported or marked complete in the portal immediately.**

We are working with OSPI and expect to complete this process by end of the proclamation window of January 7.

- **The 30-day timeframe is set by the Governor’s proclamation.**

Our office does not have the ability to adjust or amend the timeframe.

- **We will provide further guidance to schools in January (i.e. if we need updated addresses or contact information).**

We will notify you of any updates or changes.

- **How will CEP/Provision 2 (“100% FRPL”) schools be addressed?**

These districts/schools still report on FRPL eligibility. OSPI will give WSAC FRPL-eligible students from these schools.

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