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## **Governor Romer to Lead College Board's National Standards Initiative**

New York — The College Board appointed former Colorado Gov. Roy Romer as a senior advisor to the president of the College Board, effective immediately. Romer, who was also superintendent of the Los Angeles Unified School District for six years, just completed his tenure as chair of Strong American Schools, a nonprofit entity based in Washington, D.C., that advocated for higher academic standards, improved assessments and other reforms.

Romer has dedicated his career to public service and ensuring that all students are given access to high standards, high-quality teachers and powerful curricula.

In announcing the appointment, College Board President Gaston Caperton said, "Roy is one of the most highly respected champions of educational excellence and equity in the country. We are thrilled to have him on our team as we pursue our ambitious goal of putting every student on the path to college success."

In his new role at the College Board, Romer will work closely with the U.S. Department of Education, the nation's governors, chief state school officers and district superintendents to promote world-class standards in all schools. He will advocate on behalf of policies and programs that will create new standards, curricula, assessments and teacher professional development programs that are anchored in rigorous academic content that prepare all students for success in college and the 21st-century workforce.

"I look forward to continuing my work in education reform with the College Board," said Romer. "The work they are doing to package standards, curricula, assessments and professional development is the best work I've seen and is making a real difference in improving America's education system."

### **The College Board**

The College Board is a not-for-profit membership association whose mission is to connect students to college success and opportunity. Founded in 1900, the College Board is composed of more than 5,600 schools, colleges, universities and other educational organizations. Each year, the College Board serves seven million students and their parents, 23,000 high schools and 3,800 colleges through major programs and services in college readiness, college admissions, guidance, assessment, financial aid, enrollment, and teaching and learning. Among its best-known programs are the SAT<sup>®</sup>, the PSAT/NMSQT<sup>®</sup> and the Advanced Placement Program<sup>®</sup> (AP<sup>®</sup>). The College Board is committed to the principles of excellence and equity, and that commitment is embodied in all of its programs, services, activities and concerns.

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