



CASCWA

California Association of Supervisors of
Child Welfare & Attendance

2017-2018 School Year

Dear Student:

Each year, the San Joaquin Section of CASCWA provides scholarship awards to high school seniors, who will graduate during or at the conclusion of the 2017-2018 school year, and who attend schools in our region, which is comprised of these counties: *Fresno, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, San Benito, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Stanislaus, Tulare and Tuolumne.*

The San Joaquin Section of CASCWA is pleased to announce the new scholarship award format and amount. Five (5) awards will be given out this year. Each successful applicant will be awarded an amount of \$1,000.00, and have the ability to receive an additional \$1,000.00 per year for up to three years depending upon the type of post high school program or school the student is attending.

As CASCWA is a nonprofit organization future awards are based upon available funding of the organization. If funding is not available future year's awards will not be distributed. Additional information on subsequent years funding will be provided to the successful applicants.

Our scholarship is called the "Anthony Brucia Success Award," named after the beloved, deceased son of one of our Board members. The award is intended for resilient students who have made a turn-around in their lives. The kind of student applicant we want to recognize and honor is the student who most likely did not have a 4.0+ throughout high school. We're looking for a student who has had to overcome lack of success early on or who had to struggle to maintain academic progress due to a variety of reasons, including but not limited to personal or family stress or problems. We want to acknowledge and support students who may have been burdened by "at risk" circumstances and/or may have "hit bottom" but are now putting things back together and show future promise.

If you believe you are a good candidate for the "Anthony Brucia Success Award," please complete the APPLICATION FOR THE ANTHONY BRUCIA SUCCESS AWARD, including all items that listed at the bottom of the application. If you have not received one, ask your counselor for a copy of the form, or visit the CASCWA website at (www.cascwa.org) within the San Joaquin section link.

To be considered for the Award, your **application must be** mailed and **postmarked no later than March 30, 2017**. Send your application to –

Sergio Mendoza
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If you have questions, please email me at smendoza@portervilleschools.org or call me at 559-793-2451.

Best Wishes,
Sergio Mendoza