



**California Association of Supervisors of
Child Welfare & Attendance**

Dear Scholarship Coordinator:

First, please discard any “Anthony Brucia Success Award” applications you may have collected previously. The most critical change is the address to which the applications are to be sent. It would be unfortunate if a worthy candidate prepared an acceptable application only to have it dead-end at a wrong address.

Second, note that the San Joaquin Section of CASCWA has substantially increased the amount of each “Anthony Brucia Success Award” to \$1,000.00 and the student can continue to receive \$1,000.00 as long as they continue to be in school. The increase has been made possible by the growing support by individuals like you of CASCWA and its professional development activities.

Third, make sure your applicants are expected to graduate at the end of the 2019 school year from a high school located within the San Joaquin Section of CASCWA, that is, the school public or private must be located within any of the following counties: *Fresno, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Monterey, San Benito, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Stanislaus, Tulare or Tuolumne.*

Fourth, make sure your applicants meet the profile of intended “Anthony Brucia Success Award” recipients. The award is intended for resilient pupils who have made a turn-around in their lives. The kind of pupil we want to recognize and honor is the pupil 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 due to a variety of reasons, including but not limited to personal or family problems. We want to acknowledge and support those pupils 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.

Fifth, please down load and distribute to likely candidates the two attachments: (a) a letter of explanation to the student applicant and (b) an application form.

Note that applicants must submit all of the following items to be eligible for consideration:

1. A current “Anthony Brucia Success Award Application”
2. A personal letter/statement describing the obstacles the applicant has faced, the progress the student has made despite adversity, and the applicant’s future goals and plans
3. Two letters of recommendation
4. Activities record and employment history
5. Transcript – freshman through first semester of your senior year

Must be postmarked no later than Friday, March 29, 2019 and sent to:

Sergio Mendoza
Superintendent
Burton Elementary School District
264 North Westwood Street, Porterville, CA 93257

If you have questions, please email me at sergio.mendoza@burtonschools.org or call me at 559-781-8032.

Thank you for your continued support of San Joaquin CASCWA and its activities.