



California Association of Supervisors of
Child Welfare & Attendance

APPLICATIONS FOR THE ANTHONY BRUCIA SUCCESS AWARDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Dear Scholarship Coordinator:

First, please note that all information and announcement can be found at the Anthony Brucia Success Awards Foundation web page at: <https://cascwa.wildapricot.org/Anthony-Brucia-Success> or, a Google search for “Anthony Brucia Success Awards.” We are also listed with “Going Merry.”

Second, note that the amount of each “Anthony Brucia Success Award” is \$1,000.00 cash. Winning students can also continue to receive \$1,000.00 per year for up to an additional three years as long as they continue to be in a school and in good standing.

Third, confirm your applicants are expected to graduate by the end of the 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, be aware that our “winners” always meet the profile of intended “Anthony Brucia Success Award” recipients. The award is intended for resilient students who have made a recent turn-around in their lives. The kind of students we desire to recognize and honor are seniors who do not have a 4.0+ throughout high school. We’re looking for students who have had to overcome a lack of success or who had struggled to maintain academic progress due to a variety of reasons, including but not limited to peer, personal, physical, family stress or other problems. We want to acknowledge and support those 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.

Fifth, thank-you for including our announcement on your scholarship web page or listing. Also note that almost all our past winners have had a staff member (or friend), who is aware of the turn-around, involved in the application process. Spreading the word to some school staff is always helpful. Examples include: senior class teachers, coaches, special classes and alternative ed.

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

1. A current “Anthony Brucia Success Award Application” (**phone # & email address double checked?**)
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 the senior year

Must be postmarked no later than Friday, March 17, 2023 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.