



SPECIAL ALERT

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Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: High School Counselors

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SUBJECT: **2015 Arthur Marmaduke High School Counselor Award**

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) is accepting nominations for the 2015 Arthur Marmaduke High School Counselor Award. Each year, one individual is selected to receive this prestigious award for their outstanding commitment in providing postsecondary education and financial aid counseling services to students.

We encourage high school principals to nominate individuals from your school who exhibit the following characteristics and achievements:

- Excellent skills counseling and motivating students to pursue an education after high school;
- Strong advocacy and utilization of the financial aid tools available to support students' educational goals, including Cal Grants and scholarships;
- Notable dedication to the student population that he or she serves;
- Quantifiable success assisting students who receive financial aid as a direct result of the counseling efforts of the nominee.

Arthur Marmaduke served as the Executive Director of the Commission for 25 years. The award was established in 1985 by the Commission to honor the late Arthur Marmaduke for his dedication and commitment toward helping students gain access to postsecondary education through the Commission's grant, scholarship and loan assumption programs. The selected nominee will receive a certificate in recognition of his/her contributions.

[Arthur Marmaduke Nomination Forms](http://www.csac.ca.gov) can be accessed at www.csac.ca.gov and must be postmarked, faxed, or emailed no later than **Friday, May 29, 2015**.

If you have any questions regarding the Arthur Marmaduke High School Counselor Award, contact Patti Colston at pcolston@csac.ca.gov or (916) 464-8043.

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