Special Alert
Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: High School Counselors
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SUBJECT: 2017-18 Arthur Marmaduke High School Counselor Award Deadline
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This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) alerts high school counselors, administrators, and staff to the January 26, 2018 deadline for the 2017-18 Arthur S. Marmaduke High School Counselor Award. There is still time for nominations to be submitted.

Each year, the Commission selects a high school counselor to receive this award in recognition of their exemplary work in helping students fulfill their dreams of attending college. Nominations can be submitted:

• By district and county administrators, school counselors, teachers, colleagues, principals, and other school site administrators.
• Electronically through the online nomination form. There is a sample of the nomination form available here: http://www.csac.ca.gov/pubs/forms/grnt_frm/marmaduke_nomination_form.pdf

We encourage that nominations be submitted for high school counselors who exhibit the following characteristics and achievements:

• Minimum of 3 years as a high school counselor;
• Employed with their current school for a minimum of 1 year;
• Outstanding counseling skills in motivating students to pursue higher education;
• Strong advocacy and utilization of the financial aid tools available to support students’ educational goals, including Cal Grants and scholarships;
• Quantifiable success assisting students, who may not otherwise apply, apply for financial aid as a direct result of the counseling efforts of the nominee.

More information about this award, including detailed eligibility criteria and the 2017-18 nomination process, can be accessed at http://www.csac.ca.gov/doc.asp?id=1425.

If you have any questions regarding this award please contact Krista Rindell at krista.rindell@csac.ca.gov or (916) 464-7912.

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