

## 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: Revised Deadline for High School Counselor Award Nominations-

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This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) alerts high school counselors, administrators, and staff of a revised deadline for the 2018-19 Arthur S. Marmaduke High School Counselor Award nominations. Applications must be completed and submitted by the new deadline, **March 15**, **2019**.

- Each year the Commission recognizes an outstanding California high school counselor who demonstrates exemplary skills in helping students fulfill their dreams of going to college with the Arthur S. Marmaduke High School Counselor Award.
- The Commission solicits nominations recommending a California high school counselor who demonstrates effectiveness for serving students in preparing for and pursuing their higher education.
- The winner will be chosen by the California Student Aid Commission and announced in the spring of 2019. The award, which includes a plaque and \$1500 check, will be presented at the awardee's high school.
- Candidates will be evaluated based on their work to educate students about financial aid opportunities, their participation in events such as college fairs and workshops, their impact on FAFSA/CADAA completion rates, what they have done to help students prepare for college, and their support for underrepresented and firstgeneration families.
- For more information on eligibility criteria and the nomination process, please follow the link <a href="https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/arthur-s-marmaduke-high-school-counselor-award">https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/arthur-s-marmaduke-high-school-counselor-award</a>.
- Nominations can be submitted by district and county administrators, school counselors, teachers, colleagues, principals, and other school site administrators.
- Nominations must be completed electronically through the online nomination form.

For further questions or for assistance with completing the application process, please contact Susanne Cieri at <a href="mailto:susanne.cieri@csac.ca.gov">susanne.cieri@csac.ca.gov</a>.

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