



December 20, 2019

Dear Advocate Supervisors, Team Managers and CASAs helping youth 13-18 years old.

We need your help to identify CASA youth interested in the arts who will benefit from a two-week scholarship to attend camp this summer at the world recognized Idyllwild Arts program. Since 2009, we have sent one, two or three CASA youth to Idyllwild, depending on annual funding and number of viable candidates. Each scholarship is worth over \$3,100.

The completed CASA 2020 applications, including three recommendations, a few essays and a signed agreement from the caregiver, must be in the Monterey Park Office no later than February 21, 2020. Samples of work (singing/dancing/playing an instrument) can be sent attached to an email sent to alopez@casala.org. Art work can either be scanned and attached to the application or delivered to the Monterey Park Office.

It is very important that you let us know as soon as possible when you are starting to work with your student for this great opportunity. We are counting on you to talk with your CASA youth and get them focused on the application right away. Past experience has shown that you will know if your youth is capable of being away from home for two weeks as well as maintaining focus on his/her arts study for six hours or more daily. **CASAs, if your youth is applying, please provide your CASA email address and/or phone number to esheiniuk@advocatecasala.org for easier communication.** CASA Eileen Sheiniuk is ready to answer your questions and help through the process.

To learn what is offered this summer, go to www.idyllwildarts.org/summer/teens to find the courses. Only two-week classes are available for scholarships, not 3-week and 4-week courses.

Please download the CASA LA attached application which includes 1 page of instructions, 3 pages of application and essay questions and 1 page of items needed at camp.

Now it's time to help your youth SEIZE THE DAY!

Sincerely,

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