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San Diego Economics Educator Receives Prestigious Adam's Apple Award

Anthony Zambelli, J.D. honored with California Council on Economic Education's highest award for outstanding dedication to teaching economics.



Anthony "Tony" Zambelli, JD, 2012 CCEE Adam's Apple Award Recipient

LOS ANGELES, CA (November 19, 2012) — California Council on Economic Education recently announced Anthony (Tony) Zambelli, JD, an economics educator from San Diego, the recipient of the 2012 Adam's Apple Award.

Zambelli accepted the award at the annual California Association of School Economics Teachers Conference, October 26, 2012 at the Nixon Library in Yorba Linda, CA.

"I'm greatly honored by the award," said Zambelli. "But even more honored that so many economics teachers attended the conference for the same reason I did: To improve our craft by continually learning how to teach economics better."

Zambelli's economics teaching career spans over thirty years. His noteworthy contributions to ensuring financial literacy for Californians include: Working with The Econ-Ed Foundation in San Diego to develop and conduct workshops for high school teachers to prepare them for implementation of SB 1213; and many volunteer hours spent working with the Grossmont High School District's Social

Studies Council, San Diego Center for Economic Education and California Council on Economic Education's Center for Economic Education at Cuyamaca College.

Working beyond California, Zambelli became the 50th Congressional District Coordinator for the Center for Civic Education's *We the People* program, which promotes civic literacy among the nation's elementary and secondary students. Zambelli is a graduate of Atwater High School and Merced College.

"Tony is most deserving of this award," said Jim Charkins, CCEE Executive Director. "He's worked tirelessly throughout his career to promote economic education in California."

In addition to the award, Zambelli received a letter of commendation from Ted Torlakson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction; a California State Assembly resolution and a check for \$1000.

About California Council on Economic Education

For nearly a half-century, California Council on Economic Education, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, has been dedicated to advancing the economic reasoning and financial literacy of Californians. CCEE prepares students to participate in the global economy by providing educational programs and materials to K–12 teachers. Information about professional development for teachers, workshops, programs and student contests can be found at <u>www.ccee.org</u>.

About California Association of School Economics Teachers

California Association of School Economics Teachers (CASET) was founded by two California high school economics teachers, with the encouragement and assistance of the California Council on Economic Education. The 501(c)3 nonprofit organization's vision is to help California K–12 teachers become more effective at teaching economics by providing infrastructure and support.

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