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EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS SEND HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS TO COLLEGE

*Foundation hosts annual reception to bring together students and the donors
who made awards possible*

Who: Hillsborough Education Foundation, Citi

What: 2009 Scholarship Reception

When: Saturday, May 30, 2009 9:30am – 11:30am

Where: 3800 Citi Center Buildings A&B Tampa, FL 33610

(May 26, 2009) TAMPA – Jasmine is valedictorian of her graduating class, a National Achievement Finalist, and the first in her family to be going to college. This fall she will begin pursuing a major in pre-medicine at the University of Florida, thanks to the scholarship she received from the Hillsborough Education Foundation. Jasmine recognizes the significance of what she has accomplished to be where she is today, “Anybody who truly wants to go to college can get the funds to do so through FAFSA or through scholarships, but it takes hard work and dedication on the student's part.”

On Saturday, May 30 Jasmine will be honored along with a sizeable group from the approximately 300 students who received scholarships in this year’s reward cycle. The students will have the chance to meet representatives from the organizations and groups that made their scholarships possible through the Hillsborough Education Foundation Scholarship program, and thank them personally for their generosity. Eighty different scholarships were offered this year, and approximately \$650,000 was awarded to Hillsborough County’s students.

The Foundation partners with corporations, civic and charitable organizations, and individuals to provide the funding for our county’s students to pursue higher levels of education. For more information on the Foundation’s scholarship program visit www.educationfoundation.com.

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Information on Hillsborough Education Foundation, Inc:

The Hillsborough Education Foundation is a 501(c) 3 charitable organization whose mission is to invest community resources to help students achieve academic success. The Foundation, now celebrating 20 years of serving the students, teachers and schools in our community has invested more than \$66 million for enhancement of education. The Foundation annually raises over \$5 million and fulfills its mission via programs such as College, Career & Technical Scholarships, Teaching Tools for Hillsborough Schools, Take Stock in Children Mentoring, School Enrichment, and Excellence in Education programs as well as other resource programs to benefit those we serve.