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## **COMMUNITY PLEDGES TO HELP STUDENTS SUCCEED**

*Hillsborough Education Foundation hosts annual Tools 4 Schools fundraising breakfast*

**Who:** Hillsborough Education Foundation

**What:** Tools 4 Schools Breakfast

**When:** Wednesday, September 2, 2009 7:30am – 9:00am

**Where:** Renaissance Hotel at International Plaza 4200 Jim Walter Blvd Tampa

(August 14, 2009) TAMPA – More than half of the 190,000+ students in Hillsborough County Public Schools cannot afford the basic supplies needed to succeed in the classroom. The Hillsborough Education Foundation's Teaching Tools for Hillsborough Schools program works year-round to remedy this issue, and on Wednesday, September 2 they will turn to the Bay area community for help.

The Tools 4 Schools Breakfast brings together members of the Tampa Bay business and philanthropic communities to support the at-risk students in Hillsborough County Public Schools. The event raises funds to support the Teaching Tools Supply Store, which provides basic school supplies to students in the district's most economically disadvantaged schools and education sites. Hillsborough County's and Florida's Teacher of the Year Megan Allen and other educators will speak to guests about how important this program is to students all over the county.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information on the event and sponsorships visit [www.educationfoundation.com](http://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.