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Jacqueline C. Haas Scholarship Fund Announced

Harford Community College and Harford County Public Schools announced today the creation of the Jacqueline C. Haas Memorial Scholarship Fund in honor of the esteemed former public school system leader, who passed away suddenly on December 30, 2008.

During her 36-year tenure with Harford County Public Schools, Dr. Haas was a special education teacher, helping teacher, assistant principal, principal, and superintendent. She was highly respected and admired by her peers throughout the state of Maryland and the country, earning Harford County Public Schools and colleagues many accolades through her leadership efforts. Her enthusiasm for learning was contagious and she touched everyone she came in contact with.

The Jacqueline C. Haas Scholarship Fund will enable a Harford County Public School student with a 3.2+ GPA or adults enrolling in the Education Program to receive up to \$5,000 (\$2,500 awarded per semester) to put toward higher education at Harford Community College. It has been established to honor and affirm her legacy by providing a quality education to those in need. The first scholarship will be awarded in fall 2009.

On hearing about the scholarship, Interim Superintendent Patricia L. Skebeck commented, "Dr. Haas has been an inspiration and mentor to all of us. She was a woman of extraordinary achievement whose every action and decision was based on her dedication to students. This scholarship award will continue her legacy, ensuring that others will be afforded the opportunity to find their passion as she did by continuing their education."

The Jacqueline C. Haas Scholarship Fund will be administered by the Harford Community College Foundation, Inc. Donations may be made to the Foundation by mailing checks payable to:

Harford Community College Foundation, Inc. Attn: Development Office 401 Thomas Run Road Bel Air, MD 21015

An acknowledgement of donations will be sent to the Haas family by the College Foundation's Development Office. For further information, contact Nancy Donnelly, 443-412-2356 or ndonnelly@harford.edu.