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University of the District of Columbia Partners with State Education Office to Host Mayor’s College Fair

Washington, D.C. – The University of the District of Columbia will be the host site for the First Annual Mayor’s College Fair 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Friday, September 15, 2006 at the University Gymnasium (Building 47). University President Dr. William L. Pollard and UDC Provost Wilhelmina Reuben-Cooke will join Mayor Anthony Williams, Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton and DCPS Superintendent Clifford B. Janey (all currently scheduled to attend) and many other notables for a ribbon cutting ceremony at 11:00 AM. The University is a participating partner with Higher Education Financial Services Department of the D.C. State Education Office in conducting the College Fair.

The First Annual Mayor’s College Fair is focused towards rising high school seniors in the District of Columbia. The event will allow a projected 2,000 students and their families to interact with admission representatives from close to 60 postsecondary institutions (including the University of the District of Columbia) to discuss course
offerings, admission, financial aid requirements, college life, and other information pertinent to the college selection process.

This fair will be a first for the State Education Office, who is anticipating representation from many of their D.C. Tuition Assistance Grant Program (DCTAG) partner institutions, the U.S. Department of Education, private scholarship providers and other college support agencies. The fair will be the first major college fair of the season in Washington, D.C.

“So often we see prospective students delay the process of deciding which college is the best fit for their goals not only in education, but in life,” said Marian D. Smith, Lead Recruitment Specialist for the University of the District of Columbia. “The mayor’s college fair gives them a huge jump start in getting this process rolling. Not only will colleges and universities be on hand, but also the people with the answers about financial aid and other elements of the college enrollment experience.”

If you have any questions concerning the college fair, please contact Higher Education Financial Services Department of the D.C. State Education Office (1-877-485-6751 or 202-727-2824) or email to kenneth.howard@dc.gov. For information on enrollment at the University of the District of Columbia, call 202-274-6333. (NOTE: See flier at the end of this release)

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contact Mike Andrews, Senior Director for Communications and University Spokesperson at (202) 274-5685 or visit the University’s web site at www.udc.edu.

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NOTICE TO MEDIA: Media are welcome to cover the Mayor’s College Fair on Friday, September 15, 2006 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Parking for media may be arranged by prior notification of Mike Andrews, Senior Director for Communications at (202) 274-5685.
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