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AACPS CLASS OF 2010 PULLS IN UNPRECEDENTED \$64.9 MILLION IN SCHOLARSHIP OFFERS

80 percent indicate intention to attend two- or four-year college

The 5,073 graduating seniors in Anne Arundel County Public Schools' Class of 2010 were offered more than \$64.9 million in scholarships, the most ever for an AACPS graduating class and nearly a 15 percent increase from a year ago. The offers surpass last year's record \$56.5 million, and represent the third straight year in which there has been a double-digit percentage increase.

For the second consecutive year, South River High School seniors were offered the highest amount of scholarships – \$9.34 million – of any other county high school. Five schools – Chesapeake, Glen Burnie, Meade, Northeast, and Severna Park – had increases in offers of at least \$1 million over the previous year. Offers to students at Chesapeake and Severna Park high schools each jumped at least 60 percent.

"These offers are a tribute not only to the dedicated students who received them, but to their parents and our teachers and counselors who spend so many hours working with our students to maximize their chances for scholarships," Superintendent Kevin M. Maxwell said. "These results truly represent a total team effort."

Scholarship and other post-secondary plan information is provided by seniors and collected through the school system's Naviance program, an innovative program which allows school counselors to monitor the college application process for students and provide ongoing advice with regard to scholarships and other matters. The data also indicates 80 percent of

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graduating seniors plan to attend a two- or four-year college. Another 16 percent plan to work full-time, while 5 percent will attend a private career school and 4 percent plan to enlist in the military.

More information about the post-secondary plans and scholarship offers for the Class of 2010 can be found in the table below.

GRADUATE SELF-REPORTED POST-SECONDARY PLANS 2006 – 2010 COMPARISON DATA

| POST-SECONDARY PLANS | 2006 SENIORS | 2007 SENIORS | 2008 SENIORS | 2009 SENIORS | 2010 SENIORS |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Attend a 2-year college | 38% | 38% | 33% | 36% | 35% |
| Attend a 4-year college or university | 33% | 35% | 45% | 46% | 45% |
| Work full time | 11% | 11% | 18% | 17% | 16% |
| Undecided | 5% | 5% | 13% | 9% | 7% |
| Attend a private career school | 9% | 7% | 9% | 4% | 5% |
| Enlist in the military | 4% | 4% | 3% | 4% | 4% |

GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP OFFERS 2006 – 2010 COMPARISON DATA

| HIGH SCHOOL | 2006 Scholarship Offer Amounts | 2007 Scholarship Offer Amounts | 2008 Scholarship Offer Amounts | 2009 Scholarship Offer Amounts | 2010 Scholarship Offer Amounts |
|---------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Annapolis | \$2,500,000 | \$3,094,650 | \$6,235,272 | \$7,401,129 | \$6,073,636 |
| Arundel | \$3,057,175 | \$4,485,875 | \$4,517,828 | \$5,679,907 | \$5,713,465 |
| Broadneck | \$7,267,294 | \$3,917,200 | \$3,376,797 | \$4,734,344 | \$5,607,399 |
| Chesapeake | \$2,700,000 | \$1,100,291 | \$2,482,870 | \$4,004,318 | \$6,400,000 |
| Glen Burnie | \$1,067,850 | \$1,000,980 | \$2,140,000 | \$2,687,880 | \$4,021,010 |
| Meade | \$2,522,602 | \$1,679,422 | \$1,041,212 | \$3,023,708 | \$4,473,671 |
| North County | \$1,890,000 | \$1,400,000 | \$1,900,000 | \$2,100,000 | \$1,700,000 |
| Northeast | \$2,511,468 | \$2,642,823 | \$3,289,649 | \$3,716,824 | \$4,767,210 |
| Old Mill | \$3,836,750 | \$2,781,330 | \$8,152,487 | \$6,012,585 | \$6,089,809 |
| Severna Park | \$7,449,065 | \$4,894,250 | \$8,543,000 | \$4,475,153 | \$7,262,116 |
| South River | \$5,000,000 | \$6,885,640 | \$3,424,700 | \$8,489,542 | \$9,346,772 |
| Southern | \$3,000,000 | \$2,750,000 | \$2,600,000 | \$4,200,538 | \$3,462,281 |
| TOTALS | \$42,802,204 | \$35,632,461 | \$47,703,815 | \$56,525,928 | \$64,917,369 |