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Commissioner Lee May Launches DeKalb County Youth Commission

Youth Commissioner Provides Leadership Training to 10th, 11th Grade Students

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Decatur – DeKalb County Commissioner Lee May is launching the DeKalb County Youth Commission this year. The DeKalb County Board of Commissioners recently approved funding for the inaugural group of local students to participate in the hands-on leadership training program.

“The Youth Commission is an innovative development and leadership training program established to prepare the youth of DeKalb for future leadership positions by providing these young participants with a comprehensive program that will actively engage and educate them on local, national and global issues,” said Commissioner May, who initiated the pilot program. “The program also engages participants in civic activities that will enrich both their lives and the lives of those with whom they interact on a daily basis. The program will expose the youth of our communities to new ideas and concepts, it will provide an opportunity for them to be of service to the community, and will equip them with the valuable leadership skills and training.”

Each selected student will be assigned to work with either the CEO of DeKalb, or to a Commissioner within one of the seven DeKalb Commission Districts. The program will cater to DeKalb County 10th and 11th graders. Each student will take part in various county activities and workshops in addition to other portions of the program.

Students can obtain an application packet from the counselor/principal offices of their respective schools beginning Friday, January 15, 2010. Students must be currently enrolled in a DeKalb County public school. For additional information please contact Carolyn Frisby, Program Coordinator, at (404) 370-8178, or e-mail her at cmfrisby@co.dekalb.ga.us.

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