PGCPS EXHIBIT CELEBRATES YOUTH ART MONTH

WHO: Prince George's County public schools

WHAT: Youth Art Exhibition and Awards Ceremony

WHEN: Exhibition: Ongoing through April 24, 2010 • Open daily 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Awards Ceremony: April 9 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.

WHERE: University Town Center • Building 3
6525 Belcrest Road
Hyattsville, MD

BACKGROUND:

In celebration of Youth Art Month, Prince George’s County Public Schools (PGCPS) is hosting an art exhibition to highlight work from students in kindergarten through Grade 12. More than 400 entries were submitted, representing approximately 72 elementary schools, eight middle schools, and 19 high schools.

Student winners will receive ribbons for 1st through 4th Place, Honorable Mention, and Best in Show in four grade-level categories during the awards ceremony on April 9. All students will be recognized for participating in the event, and some students will receive Certificates of Excellence for outstanding work and dedication.

The objectives of the Youth Art Month Exhibition are to: direct attention to the value of art education; recognize art as a necessity for the full development of better quality of life for all people; expand art programs in schools and stimulate new ones; encourage commitment to the arts by students, community organizations, and individuals everywhere; and recognize art education as a viable component in the total education curricula that develop citizens of a global society.