News Release: PGCPS Hosts Annual Academic Fairs

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UPPER MARLBORO, MD – Nearly 1,000 families attended Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) annual Academic Fairs on October 6 and October 14, 2015, which is a 62.5 percent increase in attendance from last year.

"We have a number of great programs in our school system and the [Academic Fairs were] opportunities for parents and students to learn more about these wonderful opportunities," said Dr. Shawn Joseph, Deputy Superintendent for Teaching and Learning at PGCPS.

The academic fair provided families with an opportunity to learn about specialty programs and career academies available to students. Organizers presented over 25 programs, and 12 career academies, at the fairs, including Aerospace Engineering and Aviation Technology, Talented and Gifted, Dual Enrollment, Immersion, Visual and Performing Arts, Architecture and Design, and Health and Biosciences.

Parents and students also met program directors, teachers, viewed demonstrations, and learned how to apply for specialty programs and career academies.

The Academic Fairs were held at Eleanor Roosevelt and Dr. Henry A. Wise Jr. High Schools.

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Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS), one of the nation's 20th largest school districts, has 201 schools and centers, more than 133,000 students and nearly 20,000 employees. The school system serves a diverse student population from urban, suburban and rural communities located in the Washington, DC suburbs. PGCPS is nationally recognized for college and career-readiness programs that provide students with unique learning opportunities, including dual enrollment and language immersion.