

Memo to Media



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Here are some story ideas in which you may have an interest:

***NOTE:** To help us track the usefulness of the Memo to Media, we ask that you inform us if you will be covering any of the events or information listed in the memo. Please send all correspondence to Lindsay.Reilly@hcps.org.

Board Meetings

• **Monday, July 6th at 7:00 p.m.** - Board Business Meeting at the HCPS A.A. Roberty Building. For agenda, exhibits and more information, log onto www.hcps.org or call 410-588-5203.

Board meetings can be viewed at anytime from our website www.hcps.org!

- *Save the Date* The Rainbow Graduation will be held July 31st at 10:00 a.m. Students who complete their formal high school education during the 2009 Harford County Public School summer school session will receive their high school diplomas during a ceremony held in the Aberdeen High School auditorium. The students will be dressed in caps and gowns from their home school as they march across the stage to receive their dipomas, hence the name Rainbow Graduation.
- Eric Foltz and David Cobb of Harford Technical High School won the bronze medal in the National 2009 SkillsUSA Competition for finishing 3rd out of 30 for the best web design teams from across the country. Eric and David each recieved a \$10,000 scholarship offer from Boston University for web design to accompany the \$5,000 scholarship offer they had already received from Boston University for winning the gold medal at the Maryland SkillsUSA Web Design competition. For the full story and a photo, click here. **NEW!**
- Ethan Jennings, a science teacher at Harford Technical High School, was named a Maryland State 2009 Secondary Science Finalist for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching! He is one of three Maryland finalists. The finalists' applications are submitted to National Science Foundation (NSF) for consideration as the State winner. NSF reviews the applications in the winter to select the winner. Good luck, Ethan! **NEW!**
- The 2008-09 HCPS Custodial Awards Ceremony was held June 24th. Custodial crews from all the school buildings compete throughout the year to rank as the top elementary, middle and high school for the cleanest school award. Schools are judged based on two inspections during the school year - a planned visit in the fall and an unannounced visit in the spring. This year, the first place winners are: Patterson Mill Middle/High School, Southampton Middle School and Church Creek Elementary and Dublin Elementary (tie). For the full list of winners, including most improved and runners up, and for photos from the event, click here.