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**FIRST COAST HISPANIC STUDENTS INVITED TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS
Application Deadline Extension**

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. July 15, 2010– Students of Hispanic descent who live on Florida’s First Coast are encouraged to apply for the 2010 “Achieving the Dream” Scholarship, to be awarded jointly by the Mayor’s Hispanic American Advisory Board (MHAAB) and the First Coast Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (FCHCC) in September of 2010.

This year, MHAAB and the FCHCC will each present 8 students with \$2,000 scholarships during the “Achieving the Dream” community scholarship luncheon. This will take place Friday, September 17, at the Hyatt Regency Downtown Jacksonville.

Application deadlines have been extended, First Coast Hispanic Chambers deadline is July 31, 2010 and the Mayor’s Hispanic American Advisory Board’s deadline is August 13th.

“These students represent the future of the Hispanic community,” Betzy Santiago, president of the FCHCC said. “It is important that they receive college degrees and have the funds necessary to do so. We are doing everything we can to help them succeed.”

This scholarship competition is open to all students of Hispanic descent, from Florida’s First Coast, who will be at least a college freshman during the fall term 2010. Further scholarship requirements can be found on the FCHCC and MHAAB’s websites.

Applications can be found online at www.fchcc.com or at www.coj.net. The application requires a 450-word essay and proof of enrollment or pending enrollment at an accredited 2- or 4-year college or university. Applications can be



completed on the website or sent to P.O. Box 16751, Jacksonville, FL 32245, by July 31st, 2010.

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