

As a result of the input from the Parents As Leaders (PALS) group this year, Fulton County Schools will be holding its first **Future Focus Fair** on Saturday, November 14th, 2009. All FCSS parents of 7th -12th grade students will be invited to come out and hear good advice on how to best prepare their children for a variety of post secondary options.

This event will take place at the Georgia Tech Student Center between the hours of 10am and 12 noon. Our featured speaker will be Nancy McDuff, Associate Vice President for Admissions and Enrollment Management at The University of Georgia. Ms. McDuff will also be serving as the moderator for a panel of guest speakers representing the following higher education institutions: GA Tech, GA Perimeter College, Spelman College, SCAD and Argosy University. The panel discussion will be followed by break-out sessions featuring: GA DOE (CTAE), College Board, Georgia College 411, GA Student Financial Commission (HOPE), KAPLAN and the ROTC representatives confirmed. There is free parking on Saturdays and we hope many families will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity.

I have included driving directions below. The Communications Department will be providing you with posters to promote this event soon, but I wanted you to have this information in case you wanted to include it in your school newsletter or announcements.

DIRECTIONS TO THE STUDENT CENTER

Driving south on I-75/85 into Atlanta:

Take Exit #249D (North Avenue). At the top of the exit ramp, turn right onto North Avenue. Cross Techwood Drive (the first light) and continue on North Avenue to Cherry Street and make a right. Make a left onto Ferst Drive. Follow Ferst to Visitor Parking V03, the first right after the Student Center Parking Deck V02. Though there are closer parking areas and metered parking on the streets, the Visitor Parking V03 is the most **economical** parking area. You will be provided with a time-stamped parking ticket. If "Lot Full" sign is posted, please try the Student Center Deck V02.

Driving north on I-75/85 into Atlanta:

Take Exit #250 (10th/14th Street). Turn left (west) onto 10th Street at the top of the exit ramp. Continue down 10th Street past Fowler Street and Atlantic Drive, making a left onto State Street. Follow State Street to Ferst Drive. Turn right onto Ferst Drive and continue past the Campus Recreation Center and the light at Means Street. The Visitor Parking V03 should be the first left after the Means Street traffic light and before the Student Center Parking Deck V02.

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Thank you!

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