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AWARD-WINNING NEWS ANCHOR, MAURICE DUBOIS, WILL BE SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

SCCC Student Speakers Selected to Represent Each Campus

Selden, NY – Award-winning news anchor, Maurice DuBois, of *CBS 2 News This Morning* will deliver the commencement address at Suffolk County Community College's 2009 Commencement Ceremony on Sunday, May 31st at 11 a.m. in the Health, Sports and Education Center on the Michael J. Grant Campus in Brentwood. A Long Island native, DuBois spent seven years at WNBC-TV and co-anchored *Today in New York* before joining WCBS-TV. He has anchored many live breaking news stories and hosted numerous specials.

The College has also announced that Melissa Marx from the Ammerman Campus in Selden, Angelica Martinez-Funeme from the Eastern Campus in Riverhead, and Christine Nitti from the Michael J. Grant Campus in Brentwood have been selected as this year's student speakers.

Ms. Marx, who resides in Bohemia, has been honored with several accolades including Ammerman Campus 2009 Student of the Year. She is a recipient of a 2009 SUNY Chancellor Award for Student Excellence and is a member of Mu Alpha Theta (Mathematics Honor Society) Phi Theta Kappa (Two-Year College Honor Society), Phi Alpha Sigma (National Political Science Honor Society). An active participant in Student Government, President of the Business and Accounting Club and a member of the Honors Club, Ms. Marx also volunteers in the community through the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Ms. Martinez-Funeme, is an international student currently residing in Shelter Island Heights. She was recently selected from 26 SUNY and CUNY campuses as one of 51 new members elected to the Phi Theta Kappa All-New York Academic Team. She is a photographer for the East End Beacon, the Campus newspaper. Ms. Martinez-Funeme is a member of the Alpha Beta Gamma Business Honor Society.

Ms. Nitti, who resides in Deer Park, is a 2009 SUNY Chancellor Award winner, a Get There From Here Scholar, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa and Phi Alpha Sigma. The mother of four children, Ms. Nitti also dedicates her time to the community through affiliation with Autism Speaks, the National MS Society and American Cancer Society.

George Gatta, Jr., Suffolk County Community College's Interim President will preside over the ceremony. "It is a great honor to have Maurice DuBois as Suffolk County Community College's 2009 commencement speaker. His dedication to a career in public service and broadcasting is an inspiration to college students seeking ways to build their own successful careers. I am also very proud of our student speakers and look forward to their insights," Mr. Gatta commented.



Photo Caption: Award-winning news anchor, Maurice DuBois, will be Suffolk County Community College's 2009 commencement speaker.

About Suffolk County Community College

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling more than 23,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering the lowest college tuition on Long Island, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous unified transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at sunysuffolk.edu.

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