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**SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT, JOHN MINCONE, IS
DRAFTED BY THE CHICAGO CUBS**

Brentwood, NY – John Mincone, a student at the Michael J. Grant Campus of Suffolk County Community College, was recently drafted by the Chicago Cubs in the 11th round. He is the first baseball player on the Michael J. Grant Campus to be drafted by the major leagues. As Major League Baseball's 350th overall pick, Mr. Mincone, a resident of Dix Hills, was the highest major league draft pick in SCCC history. His accolades for 2009 also include: Region 15 Player of the Year, All-American First Team member and Winning Pitcher in the Jr. College World Series.

Although he started his college career at James Madison University in Virginia, Mr. Mincone transferred to Suffolk County Community College to be closer to his home and family. "I knew there was a great program for me at Suffolk, both academically and athletically." He also credits Coach Robert Molinaro as helping him reach his potential adding, "He was great to play for and helped me reach my dream of becoming a major league baseball player."

Mr. Mincone is preparing to begin his first season of Major League Baseball and then plans to return in the off-season to finish his education at SCCC.



Photo Caption: John Mincone, a student at the Michael J. Grant Campus of Suffolk County Community College, was recently drafted by the Chicago Cubs in the 11th round.

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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