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SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT WINS STATE MATHEMATICS ASSOCIATION AWARD

Selden, NY – Dilek Kucuk, a student at the Ammerman Campus of Suffolk County Community College in Selden and a resident of Farmingville, is the recipient of the 2013 New York State Mathematics Association of Two-Year Colleges (NYSMATYC) Dan Dodway Memorial Scholarship Award in the amount of \$1,000. Dodway was a professor of mathematics at Broome Community College. He served as NYSMATYC's 21st president. To honor his memory, the highest scholarship given annually by NYSMATYC to a student with intentions of pursuing a career in mathematics education is presented in his name.

Each year, NYSMATYC awards are granted to mathematics students in New York State who expect to transfer from a two-year college in January or June and who plan to continue their studies in mathematics or a related field. Students are encouraged to apply if they have completed at least one year of calculus, maintain a GPA of at least 3.5 in completed mathematics courses, and an overall GPA of 3.3.

In addition to this honor, Ms. Kucuk has been awarded a Dr. Robert Frey Family Foundation Scholarship. This is a \$5,000 scholarship presented by the Suffolk Community College Foundation to select students who are majoring in mathematics and planning to embark on a career in a math-related field.

Ms. Kucuk is also the recipient of a Suffolk County Community College Distinguished Student Achievement Award, which is granted to select students by the College for outstanding leadership as well as performance in the student's field of study. Ms. Kucuk has a cumulative GPA of 3.9 and a 3.8 GPA in completed mathematics courses. She is a member of Mu Alpha Theta (the Math Honor Society) and the Math Club at the Ammerman Campus.

"I am very grateful to all of my professors at Suffolk County Community College," said Ms. Kucuk, who intends to graduate in May 2013. "Attending Suffolk, with such a wide variety of students from different cultures, has been a great experience. I feel extremely prepared to continue my education and reach my long-range goals."

"Ms. Kucuk is a student who works hard and never misses a chance to improve her ability to think critically. She has a strong insight into problem-solving. I am certain she will be very successful in her future pursuit of higher education in mathematics," said Dr. Jerry Chen, Associate Professor of Mathematics at Suffolk County Community College.



Photo Caption: Dilek Kucuk, a student at the Ammerman Campus of Suffolk County Community College in Selden and a resident of Farmingville, is the recipient of the New York State Mathematics Association of Two-Year Colleges' 2013 Dan Dodway Memorial Scholarship Award, a Dr. Robert Frey Family Foundation Scholarship and a Suffolk County Community College Distinguished Student Achievement Award.

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 approximately 26,000 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.) degrees, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering affordable college tuition, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at sunysuffolk.edu.