



EVENT SUMMARY

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2008

Purpose of the Event: On May 7, 2001, Pennsylvania made history by becoming the first state to pass an education tax credit aimed at the business community. On May 6, 2008, we are celebrating the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program's 7th birthday with a party!

Some of the Schools/Scholarship Organizations that will be in Attendance:

ACSI Children's Fund of PA	Lancaster	Nativity School	Harrisburg
Bravo Foundation	Harrisburg	Neumann Scholarship Fund/Diocese of Harrisburg	Harrisburg
Business Leadership Organized for Catholic Schools/Archdiocese of Philadelphia	Philadelphia	PA Catholic Conference	Harrisburg
Cathedral School	Harrisburg	Scholarship Opportunity Scholarship Fund/Diocese of Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh
Eastern PA Scholarship Fund/Diocese of Allentown	Allentown	St. Joan of Arc	Harrisburg
Faith First Educational Corporation	Philadelphia	St. Joseph's School of York	York
Holy Family School of Harrisburg	Harrisburg	Susan B. Byrnes Health Education Center	Harrisburg
Keystone Christian Educational Association	Harrisburg	Black Alliance for Educational Options	Philadelphia
		The Joshua Group	Harrisburg

Speakers:

Senator Dominic F. Pileggi, Senate Majority Leader

Senator Anthony Williams, Senate Democratic State Government Committee Chairman

Senator Jeffrey Piccola, Senate Republican State Government Committee Chairman

Senator Jane Clare Orié - invited, Senate Majority Whip

Representative Dwight Evans, House Appropriations Committee Chair

Representative Mario J. Civera, House Appropriations Minority Chair

Representative Keith McCall, House Democratic Whip

Daniel Wright, senior vice president and CFO, United Concordia, Inc.

Andrew T. LeFevre, executive director, REACH Foundation

Attendance: REACH is expecting over 2,500 children whose school has been affected by the EITC Program. Approximately 400 adults - including parents, chaperones, teachers and legislators - who support the youth of Pennsylvania will also be in attendance.

Why it's Important: Thousands of children are not getting the attention they need in school in order to be successful. Through school choice, parents have the option to choose the school that is best suited for their child's needs. Families receive scholarships from EITC money to enroll in such a school.

