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Student Leaders To Share Their Ideas On Education With Legislators

~The student's visit to Tallahassee is part of their commitment to represent other students back home~

Tallahassee, FL- Fresh from debate at Florida's 3rd Annual Student Education Policy Conference, student leaders will travel to Tallahassee Wednesday, March 9th to unveil their policy recommendations and present their resolutions to key education leaders and legislative members. "Our voice and our perspective as students can add tremendous value to the education reform debate taking place this legislative session," said Mariana Justo, senior at Miami-Dade College. "I hope that our visit to Tallahassee sends a strong message to legislators and that our ideas are received as constructive, relevant, and valuable. At the end of the day, it's our responsibility to get involved in the public debate and we're excited about doing so," said Justo. A student-led press conference will begin at 8:30am followed by student/legislative meetings beginning at 10am. Students traveling to Tallahassee serve as chairperson to student delegations from Miami-Dade College, Florida Atlantic University, University of South Florida, University of Central Florida, University of Florida, University of North Florida, Florida State University, Florida Gulf Coast University, and Broward College. The student delegations recently met in Orlando to debate and come to consensus on education reform measures important to them. ENLACE Florida, a statewide network promoting college readiness, access, and success for first generation, limitedincome, and underrepresented students, is coordinating and facilitating the effort.

PRESS CONFERENCE DETAILS

WHO: Florida College Students, Florida Student Education Policy Conference

WHAT: Unveil 2011 Education Policy Recommendations

WHEN: Wednesday, March 9th, 8:30am

WHERE: Florida Press Association, 336 East College Avenue, Tallahassee