



## **Hillsborough Community College Helps High School Seniors Get Accepted**

Hillsborough Community College SouthShore Campus is hosting the “Go Higher—Get Accepted” events this spring 2009 for students at Lennard, East Bay, Riverview, and South County Career Center high schools. In its third year, the campaign is a joint undertaking of the Florida Department of Education, Florida’s 28 community colleges, and FACTS.org, Florida’s student advising Web site. The goal of the campaign is to increase the number of high school seniors who aspire to go to college.

“Education and training are crucial for Florida’s economy and future, particularly during these challenging economic times. High School seniors should begin securing their futures now by applying to college and getting accepted before they graduate,” said Dr. Will Holcombe, Chancellor of Florida’s Community Colleges.

Go Higher— Get Accepted events offer seniors hands-on assistance to examine their career interests, decide on a program of study, and apply for admission and financial aid. “The complicated process of applying for college and financial aid are two major roadblocks that high school students face when considering a post secondary education,” noted Dr. Connie Graunke, Executive Director of FACTS.org. “These events provide an atmosphere of help where they can get direct, hands-on assistance from college staff and explore the many useful tools available on FACTS.org,” she added.

Events sponsored by Hillsborough Community College SouthShore, will be held on the following dates:

### **East Bay High School**

4/21/09- “Go Higher Get Accepted” (8:00-12:30 PM)

4/28/09 - HCC College Placement Test CPT (8:00-11:30 AM)

### **Riverview High School**

4/15/09- “Go Higher Get Accepted” (10:00-12:30 PM)

4/29/09- HCC College Placement Exam (8:00-11:30 AM)

### **Lennard High School**

4/16/09- “Go Higher Get Accepted” (8:00-11:30 AM)

4/30/09- HCC College Placement Exam (8:00-11:30 AM)

### **South County Career Center**

4/16/09- “Go Higher Get Accepted” (1:00-3:00 PM)

4/24/09- HCC College Placement Exam (8:00-11:30 AM)

For more information on the campaign and a complete listing of events, visit [www.FACTS.org](http://www.FACTS.org) or Contact Edwin P. Olmo, Enrollment Development Coordinator, HCC SouthShore Center, at 813-253-7000 ext 5756 or [www.eolmo2@hccfl.edu](mailto:www.eolmo2@hccfl.edu)