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**COUNCIL HONORS HIGH ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT WITH
COMMENDATIONS TO POSSE SCHOLARS**

Posse Foundation Awards Full College Scholarships to 11 Prince George's County Students

The Prince George's County Council presented Council Commendations to the Prince George's County high school seniors selected as 2008 – 2009 Posse Scholars by Posse Foundation, Inc., during Council session on Tuesday, March 3, 2007.

Council Chairperson Marilyn Bland (D) – District 9, praised the students for their accomplishments saying, “These are young people who have extraordinary leadership and academic abilities. We are so pleased because here in Prince George's County, the youth really do mean so much and it is wonderful when our young people have the support and encouragement of their parents and the adults around them.”



Council Member Ingrid Turner (D) – District 4, recognized the work of the Posse Foundation in providing scholarship opportunities for the students of Prince George's County.

Prince George's County Council Members and Prince George's County Public Schools 2008 – 2009 Posse Scholars.

“I want to thank the Posse Foundation for their hard work and dedication to sending our Prince George's County students to colleges and universities all across the country. These are extremely bright students who are becoming productive citizens and the future leaders of Prince George's County. They are setting an example for others to follow and we are excited about their accomplishments.”

The Posse Foundation awards scholarships to high school seniors who demonstrate extraordinary academic and leadership potential, and sends them to top-tier colleges and universities in teams, or posses. The students selected will join 40 other students from the metropolitan area in receiving a four-year, full-tuition scholarship worth more than \$100,000.

The 2008 – 2009 Prince George's County Public Schools Posse Scholars are: Davon Bailey of Eleanor Roosevelt High School; Patrick Dienzo of Oxon Hill High School; Dolapo Esho and Jasmine Savoy of Henry A. Wise High School; Emanuel Gurara and Edgardo Parrilla of Parkdale High School; Cherie Malone of Crossland High School; Fasion Maxwell and Taneesha Tate-Robinson of Bowie High School; Mae Missana of Central High School; and Guadalupe Osorio of Fairmont Heights High School.

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