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### **Academic Honors Network to hold 1<sup>st</sup> EBR Academic Honors Day**

**Baton Rouge, La.** – High school juniors and seniors in East Baton Rouge who have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and above will be honored for their exemplary academic achievements this school year during the East Baton Rouge Academic Honors Day sponsored by the Academic Honors Network.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual EBR Academic Honors Day is set for this Saturday, May 11, 2013 at the Louisiana State Museum, located at 600 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St. in downtown Baton Rouge from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. A brief program will begin at noon.

“The goal of this event is to acknowledge and honor those students in our area who have excelled in academics,” said Academic Network Founder/Chair, Judge Wilson Fields. “I am humbled by the dedication of this committee, all of whom are committed to the development of our youth, and the enhancement of our communities.”

Network participants/sponsors include EBR School Board, District Attorney’s Office – 19<sup>th</sup> District, EBR Parish Sherriff’s Office, EBR Clerk of Court Office, EBR Office of the Mayor President; BR Constable’s Office, LA Board of Regents, Cumulus Media, LA AFL-CIO, Baton Rouge Chamber of Commerce, DEMCO, and Coca-Cola.

Attendees will receive a special award for their academic accomplishments this school year and have the opportunity to explore a number of colleges and vendors that will be on site. The represented institutions include Southern University-Baton Rouge, Louisiana State University-Baton Rouge, Southeastern LA University, Louisiana Tech University, University of New Orleans, UL Lafayette, UL Monroe, Northwestern State University, and McNeese.

“These are the students who will make significant impacts in our community, they are our future workforce,” said Commissioner of Higher Education Jim Purcell. “We must continue to show them the educational resources that are available to help solidify their path to success.”

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