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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## <u>Families Invited to Learn More about The Pittsburgh Promise at</u> East End Schools Promise-Ready Event

WHAT:

Ten East End schools serving students in grades K-8 will come together to host a special East End Schools Promise-Ready Event. Thanks to *The Pittsburgh Promise* the future is even brighter for students in the Pittsburgh Public Schools. Parents, families and community members are invited to learn more about how to help their children become "Promise-Ready" and on course to graduate and take advantage of a *Pittsburgh Promise* scholarship.

This event will focus primarily on how important it is for both parents and students to begin working towards and talking about college at an early age. *The Pittsburgh Promise* Executive Director Saleem Ghubril will be speaking at the event and will be on hand to answer questions from parents and family members about how *The Promise* can help their child attend college.

WHO:

Pittsburgh Arsenal, Pittsburgh Dilworth, Pittsburgh Faison, Pittsburgh Fort Pitt, Pittsburgh Fulton, Pittsburgh Lincoln, Pittsburgh Lincoln, Pittsburgh Sunnyside and Pittsburgh Woolslair

WHEN:

Thursday, May 28, 6:30 p.m. at the Kingsley Association, located at 6435 Frankstown Avenue, Pittsburgh 15206

WHY:

Graduates of the Pittsburgh Public Schools can earn up to \$20,000 in *Promise* scholarships over 4 years. Beginning with the Class of 2012, graduates will be eligible to earn up to \$40,000 over 4 years. Even students who already have scholarships to cover the full cost of tuition may be eligible for a minimum award of up to \$1,000 through *The Promise*.

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