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**Magnet Fair to Showcase District Offerings and Options for
Pittsburgh Families on October 3, 2009**

Magnet Registration Deadline December 12, 2009

PITTSBURGH September 30, 2009 – Excellent neighborhood schools, magnet schools and programs are among the many educational offerings and options available for families of the Pittsburgh Public Schools. Parents interested in enrolling in a magnet program for the 2010-11 school year are encouraged to attend the October 3rd Magnet Information Fair: *Pursue Your Passion. Pick Your Program. Prepare for the Promise.* This year's fair will take place during extended hours 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Pittsburgh Allegheny, which is located at 810 Arch Street, Pittsburgh Pa. 15212, across from the Children's Museum.

Representatives from magnet schools, programs and early childhood centers will be available to answer questions regarding the many options and offerings available in the Pittsburgh Public Schools. Families can also find more information at this year's fair about The Pittsburgh Promise®, the 2010 middle grades summer camp, and special education and gifted services. In addition, information will be available about free tutoring through the District's supplemental education program.

Magnet Registration Deadline for 2010 -11 School Year is December 12, 2009

Copies of the District Guide to Offerings and Options and magnet registration applications can be downloaded on the District's website at www.pps.k12.pa.us. Families may also request a copy by calling the Parent Hotline at (412) 622-7920. Applications can be completed and submitted at the Magnet Fair. Students and families are able to apply to three magnet options in order of preference. Students who enroll in a magnet program are expected to remain in the program for at least one school year and must maintain satisfactory attendance, citizenship and academic progress. Magnet applications must be submitted to the District no later than Saturday, December 12, 2009, unless students are interested in applying to Pittsburgh CAPA 6-12. Applications for Pittsburgh CAPA 6-12 are due November 13, 2009.

Magnet options in the Pittsburgh Public Schools include schools/programs that provide a specific education model, such as the Montessori Method, or a theme-based program focusing on a student's specific talents or interests. The District currently offers 27 magnet options across the region served by the Pittsburgh Public Schools. The chart on page two summarizes the available magnet schools and programs by geographic region and grade configuration.

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Pittsburgh Public Schools Magnet Offerings for the 2010-11 School Year			
Region			
Grade Levels	East	South/West	Central/North
K-5	Dilworth PreK-5 (Traditional) Fulton PreK-5 (French Emphasis) Liberty PreK-5 (Spanish Emphasis) Linden K-5 (German Emphasis)	Phillips K-5 (Spanish Emphasis)	Allegheny K-5 (Traditional) Northview PreK-5 (Spanish Emphasis)
K-8	Montessori PreK-8 (Montessori)	Carmalt PreK-8 (Sci -Tech)	
6-8	Sterrett 6-8 (Classical)	Pittsburgh Classical 6-8	Allegheny 6-8 (Traditional) Schiller 6-8 (Classical)
6-12	International Baccalaureate 6-12 (IB)		CAPA 6-12 (arts) Science & Technology 6-12 Milliones 6-12
High School	Allderdice 9-12 (Pre-Engineering) Peabody 9-12 (Robotics) Westinghouse 9-12 (Cosmetology)	Brashear 9-12 (Computer Science) Carrick 9-12 (Business & Finance) Langley 9-12 (Teaching)	Oliver 9-12 (JROTC) (Cosmetology) Perry 9-12 (Traditional) (Math & Science)

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