

Euphemia L. Haynes Public Charter School

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E.L. HAYNES TO HOLD GROUNDBREAKING FOR NEW SCHOOL FACILITY

WHAT: Euphemia L. Haynes Public Charter School, an exceptional charter school now in its third year of educating DC's youth, is pleased to announce the official groundbreaking of its new facility at 3600 Georgia Avenue, Northwest.

WHO: The Trustees, staff, students, and families of E.L. Haynes will join public and community partners for this important celebration. The program will include brief remarks from **Mayor Adrian Fenty** and **Councilmember Jim Graham**, among others.

WHEN: Friday, March 16, 2007
10:00 AM

WHERE: 3600 Georgia Avenue, NW
Washington, DC

3600 Georgia Avenue is most easily accessed by Metro. Take the Green Line to Georgia Avenue/Petworth. Exit the Metro Station and walk southbound on Georgia Avenue for two blocks. The site is located at the northwest corner of Georgia Avenue and Otis Place. If traveling by car, neighborhood street parking is available.

BACKGROUND: E.L. Haynes is currently in its third year and is already demonstrating outstanding student achievement results. By the end of the 2005-2006 school year, 86% of all Haynes students had met or surpassed the national benchmarks in reading and 93% gained a year or more. Ninety-six percent of Haynes' Class of 2017 scored proficient or above on the Terra Nova, a nationally-recognized standardized test. And the school received "Exemplary" scores in every area of our annual program review from the DC Public Charter School Board. Haynes was one of only two schools to receive the best possible rating. E.L. Haynes currently serves 190 students in grades Pre-K to 4 and will grow, adding a grade each year, until it serves 650 students in grades Pre-K to 12.

Haynes' new 46,000 square foot building will serve 468 students in grades Pre-K to 8. The building will have large classrooms and windows, and will provide ample space for the elementary and middle school programs. In addition to two classrooms for each grade, the building will also have a large cafeteria/auditorium space and middle school regulation-size gymnasium, science laboratory, and art and music rooms.

E.L. Haynes. *Be Kind. Work Hard. Get Smart.*

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