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**Annual Legislative Forum of Harford County Council of Parent Teacher Association
Provides Opportunity to Discuss Education Issues**

The Harford County Council of Parent Teacher Association (HCCPTA) will host its annual Legislative Forum on Thursday, October 15, 2009 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM in the Bel Air High School Cafeteria.

The forum is designed to bring together parents, educators, and elected officials in an atmosphere of open and respectful exchange of information. Invited guests include representatives from the offices of the Harford County Superintendent of Schools, Harford County Executive, Harford County Board of Education, Harford County Council, Harford County Sheriff, Maryland PTA, Governor, Harford County Delegation and our senators and representatives in Washington, DC.

Attendees will have the opportunity to speak with educators, administrators, and elected officials one-on-one about all issues concerning Harford County students. Given the state's budget cuts and the current economic climate, HCCPTA encourages all those interested in the education of Harford County students to attend the forum.

There is no cost to attend. For additional information, contact HCCPTA President Cathi Peters at: hccpta@hccpta.org.

Established in 1939 as a federation of the PTAs in Harford County, the Harford County Council of Parent Teacher Association serves as a key link between the local PTAs, Maryland PTA and National PTA. Representing 47 local PTAs/PTSAs, and with over 12,000 members, HCCPTA supports and speaks on behalf of children in the schools, in the community, and before governmental agencies and other organizations that make decisions affecting children. Council leaders provide training and serve as mentors for the local officers and committee chairs, assist in the formation of new associations, and encourage parent and public involvement in the public schools.

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