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SCUSD Launches McClatchy's New Law Academy with VIP Event

A 'pipeline to professions,' the academy will target under-served teens with a rigorous curriculum focused on law

June 2, 2011 (Sacramento) – On Friday, a new chapter begins in C.K. McClatchy High School's rich 74-year history with the launch of a new Law and Public Policy Academy.

Legal community VIPs will address freshmen students about careers in law and public policy at a launch celebration on Friday in the McClatchy library. U.S. District Court Judge Morrison England, State Bar Association President Mike Levy and Sacramento City Unified School District Superintendent Jonathan Raymond are among the confirmed speakers.

Slated to open in the fall, the Academy will connect under-served teens to Sacramento's vast resources as California's Capitol. The program will serve as a pipeline to professions by preparing students with a rigorous curriculum focused on law and policy.

McClatchy's alumni include heavy-hitters in law and politics, making it the perfect choice for the new program. Among CKM alumni are U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy, California State Supreme Court Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye, City Councilman Robert King Fong and the late U.S. Congressman Robert Matsui.

"Our goal as a school district is to prepare every student that walks through our doors for college and globally competitive careers," said Superintendent Raymond. "This Academy moves us toward that goal by providing our students with mentors, internships and specialized classes designed to get students excited about the world of work that awaits them in the future."

WHAT: CKM Law and Public Policy Academy Launch WHEN: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday, June 3

WHERE: McClatchy High School Media Center, 3066 Freeport Blvd.