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TO: Cassandra J. Harvey

FROM: Patty S. Pitts, Assistant Superintendent
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SUBJECT: Recipient of 2009 - 2010 Virginia Teaching Scholarship Loan Program

The Virginia Department of Education is pleased that you have been selected as a recipient of the 2009 - 2010 Virginia Teaching Scholarship Loan Program (VTSLP). The Virginia General Assembly funds the VTSLP as an incentive for students interested in pursuing a teaching career in a critical shortage teaching area. These scholarships are subject to available state funding and awarded annually to undergraduate students in the sophomore, junior, or senior year of college and to graduate students at an accredited public or private institution of higher education in Virginia.

Scholarship recipients of the VTSLP are expected to teach in the public schools of Virginia in the first full academic year after becoming eligible for a teaching license, and shall fulfill the teaching obligation in accordance with the Promissory Note by teaching continuously in Virginia for the same number of years that the recipient was the beneficiary of such scholarship. The teaching obligation may be fulfilled by teaching (i) in one of the critical teacher shortage disciplines as established by the Board of Education; or (ii) in a career and technical education discipline; or (iii) regardless of teaching discipline, in a school with a high concentration of students eligible for free or reduced lunch; or (iv) in any discipline or at any grade level within a school division with a shortage of teachers, as defined in the Board of Education's Regulations Governing the Determination of Critical Teacher Shortage Areas; or (v) in a rural or urban region of the state with a teacher shortage.