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## **TSU to Host Transportation Institute for High School Students**

The **Center for Transportation Training and Research** will host the 2009 **Houston Area National Summer Transportation Institute** for high school students June 8 – July 3 at Texas Southern University. The purpose of this institute is to create awareness and stimulate interest in high school students to take full advantage of the opportunities that exist in the transportation industry. The four-week program is sponsored by the **Federal Highway Administration** and is an extremely intense and structured learning opportunity for youth in the high school systems of Texas.

The curriculum will expose students to new frontiers and adventures such as highway design, transportation of people and cargo, intermodalism, laws, regulation, safety, environmentalism and career opportunities. In addition, students will participate in academic enhancement activities, field trips and student projects. Approximately 18 rising 9th, 10th and 11th-grade students will receive full scholarships to participate in the four-week summer program. Scholarships will include tuition, equipment and supplies, travel (field trips), workshops and handouts, facility usage and speakers.

Applications are now being accepted. Space for this extremely intense learning opportunity is limited to the first 18 qualified applicants. For more information call Tasjah Hall, project coordinator, at 713-313-1959.