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DATE: **July 13, 2007**

A Dream Come True

It is a dream come true. An Achievable Dream now has its own middle and high school campus. What was Briarfield Elementary School has been remodeled and will open as An Achievable Dream Middle and High School this upcoming 2007/2008 school year.

"We have been looking forward to the new school as much as the kids have," said Lieutenant Betty Thomas. For years, deputies with the Newport News Sheriff's Office have played an integral role in the success of An Achievable Dream. Deputies are responsible for uniform inspections and character development for middle school aged children. "The new campus is the perfect setting for really getting a one-on-one, face-to-face morning greeting with each of the students," Thomas continued. "We'll be able to greet the students by name and with a handshake."

Governor Tim Kaine is the keynote speaker and will officially dedicate the school at the public dedication ceremony on Tuesday, July 17 at 2:00 P.M. He will be joined by Newport News Public Schools, the *Dreamers* of An Achievable Dream, Sheriff Gabe Morgan, and others who have a stake in the successful school.

WHO: The Honorable Timothy M. Kaine, Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia

WHAT: Official Dedication of An Achievable Dream Middle & High School. Open house and self guided tour of facility.

WHEN: Tuesday, July 17 from 2:00 – 4:00 P.M.

WHERE: An Achievable Dream Middle & High School; 5720 Marshall Avenue; Newport News, VA

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