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## Cabarrus College Receives National Recognition for Community Service, Named to President's Honor Roll

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**Concord, NC, March 29, 2010-** For the third consecutive year Cabarrus College has been named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, the highest federal recognition a college or university can receive for its commitment to volunteering, service-learning and civic engagement.

All Cabarrus College students are required to complete voluntary community service with community-run programs, projects and events prior to graduation. During the 2008-09 academic year, 127 students were actively involved in volunteering 4,869 hours of service. Representative of this volunteer spirit is the work of six Occupational Therapy Assistant students at Camp Horizon, a Down's Syndrome Camp for 9-17 year olds. The students each volunteered nearly 70 hours at the camp, which is sponsored by the Down's Syndrome Association of Charlotte.

"Cabarrus College has embraced community service as an important learning experience for our students. Volunteering helps to broaden the perspectives of our students in ways that enrich what they are learning in the classroom. Our students' commitment to volunteerism also provides a valuable service to the community," said Cabarrus College Chancellor Dr. Dianne Snyder.

The Corporation for National and Community Service oversees the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll in collaboration with the Department of Education, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Campus Compact and the American Council on Education.

## About Cabarrus College of Health Sciences

Cabarrus College of Health Sciences is located on the campus of CMC-NorthEast in Concord, North Carolina. 507 students are enrolled in five associate degree and three baccalaureate completion programs. Associate degree programs include medical assistant, nursing, occupational therapy assistant, surgical technology and associate in science. Baccalaureate completion programs include health services leadership and management, medical imaging and nursing. The College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). Cabarrus College has experienced tremendous growth this decade, with enrollment doubling and applications for admission increasing nearly 200% since 2003. For additional information visit online at <u>www.cabarruscollege.edu</u>.