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## **THE GODDARD SCHOOL® ALUMNI, ARTHUR FOSTER, RECEIVES ANTHONY A. MARTINO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

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**KING OF PRUSSIA, PA** – Arthur C. Foster III, of Dublin, Ohio, was the recipient of the third annual Anthony A. Martino Memorial Scholarship. The \$10,000 scholarship was announced at The Goddard School's annual convention, which was held at the Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort and Spa in Marco Island, Florida, from Wednesday, April 14th through Sunday, April 18th.

Foster graduated from The Goddard School located at 6239 Perimeter Drive in Dublin, Ohio, and the scholarship will be paid towards his education at Lake Forest College in Chicago. He plans to study the fields of journalism, communications and international relations. In addition, he hopes to minor in music to continue to pursue his hobby and passion.

The prestigious Anthony A. Martino Memorial Scholarship, which will be given to one Goddard School alumni each year, is presented in memory of Anthony A. Martino, the founder of The Goddard School franchise system (Martino is also the founder of Aamco Transmissions, Inc. and Maaco Enterprises, Inc.). Mr. Martino, a very successful businessperson, worked his way up from humble beginnings to achieve great things for himself and his family.

“Foster exemplifies the philosophy that The Goddard School instills in each of their children– ‘A foundation of lifelong learning,’” Joe Schumacher, CEO of Goddard Systems, Inc. noted.

The Goddard School offers a year-round program for children from six weeks to six-years-old. Children are encouraged to develop at their own pace in a warm environment supported by a team of dedicated teachers.

Goddard School owners are committed to providing the best early childhood development experience for the children in their communities. In January of 2009, Goddard Systems, Inc. received company-wide accreditation from AdvancED by meeting their key accreditation quality standards including a research-based curriculum, teaching methods that enhance student learning, and a commitment to continuous improvement. Goddard Schools support the on-going training of Goddard teachers by providing professional development courses on a quarterly basis through Goddard Systems University, which has been approved as an Authorized Provider by the International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET).

To learn more about The Goddard School, families are encouraged to visit [www.goddardschools.com](http://www.goddardschools.com) or call 1-800-GODDARD.

### **About Goddard Systems, Inc. [www.goddardschool.com](http://www.goddardschool.com)**

Recently named #1 Childcare Franchise in the United States, by Entrepreneur magazine, for the ninth consecutive year (January 2010) and one of the Top 200 Franchise Systems (in worldwide sales), by Franchise Times, for the second consecutive year (October 2008); Goddard Systems, Inc. (GSI) is expanding The Goddard School® network throughout the United States. Headquartered in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, GSI currently licenses 360+ franchised schools with more than 43,000 students in 39 states. With a successful system in place and dedicated franchisees, GSI is the acknowledged leader in franchised childcare and a premier childcare provider in the United States.

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