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Report Released Today

Today, Special Commissioner of Investigation Richard J. Condon released a report relating to an investigation which found that low-income students who were eligible to take Advance Placement Examinations free of charge were required by their schools to pay as much \$52 per exam. Students from Brooklyn Technical High School, Bronx High School of Science and Stuyvesant High School whose test fees were paid to the College Board by the New York State Department of Education under a federally-sponsored program still had to pay their schools in advance to take the exams. This money was kept by the schools and not refunded to the qualifying students as required by the federal program. At Brooklyn Technical High School, which collected more than \$13,000 in such fees in 2005, former principal Lee McCaskill directed that this money be used for general school activities rather than refunded to the students.

Copies of the report will be available after 11:00 a.m. at 80 Maiden Lane, 20th Floor. Questions should be referred to Aquila Haynes at (212) 510-1479.

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