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### ***Hollywood Chamber's Preparing Youth for Industry Program Highlights Students from Local Schools***

**HOLLYWOOD, FL** – On May 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. the Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce's Preparing Youth for Industry (PYI) program will host its Culminating Field Trip event, which is set to take place at the Broward County Convention Center located at 1950 Eisenhower Boulevard in Ft. Lauderdale.

Since its inception in 2001, the PYI program and the Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce have been teaming up, along with 3 local Hollywood high schools, to promote excellence in public education. The program encourages students in grades 10 – 12 to stay in school and finish their education. PYI seeks to provide these students vision and career alternatives through exposure to career opportunities.

One participating class from each Hollywood high school, about 100 students in total, has been invited to attend.

The event will also feature various speakers who will touch on travel, tourism and other port-related opportunities. Speakers include Judy Erickson of the Hollywood Office of Tourism, Chamber President Barry Kay and Christine Tascione of the Greater Ft. Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Guests will also view a video presentation and will take a bus tour of the Port Everglades Department of Broward County.

Sponsored by the Greater Ft. Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau, the event is open to the public and free to attend.

For more information on the Culminating Event or PYI, please call Howard Schoem at 954.965.9000 or Sue Ann Scharón at 954.923.4000.

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