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PARTNERSHIPS FOR EXCELLENCE

CHARLESTON, IL--Wilma Sutton of Chicago, vice chair of the Board of Governors Universities, the governing board for Eastern Illinois University, will be the guest speaker at a banquet Friday, July 24, honoring 45 minority high school seniors who have completed Eastern's Partnerships for Excellence program.

The banquet will be held at 7 p.m. in the University Union Grand Ballroom. The seniors, from 10 Illinois high schools, will be presented certificates and mementos for their participation in a five-week summer program that enabled them to earn college credit by attending classes in math, English and physical education.

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The program is designed to help minority students with college potential gain the training and opportunities they need to succeed at a university.

At the banquet, awards also will be given by Eastern faculty to individual students who have excelled in particular subject areas.

Earlier this summer, 80 freshmen students from participating Partnerships for Excellence schools were recognized for completing a two-week program where they attended classes for high school credit.