



January 30, 2007

Dear Colleague:

I am pleased to announce that Kingsborough Community College will host a **Global Warming Conference for 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades on Thursday, April 19, 2007 from 9:00-1:00 p.m.** This event is a continuation of the Marine and Atmospheric Science lecture series sponsored by the Kingsborough College Now program and Office of Maritime Technology in cooperation with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the New York State Marine Educators Association (NYSMEA).

This year's event features NOAA speaker Gary Conte, Meteorologist and Deputy Director of the National Weather Service in Upton New York and Dr. Stephan Pekar, Department of Geology, Queens College. The day will begin with a screening of the Al Gore documentary, *An Inconvenient Truth*. To download a reservation form, go to [www.collegenowlive.com](http://www.collegenowlive.com) and click on Global Warming Conference. As seats are reserved, on a first-come, first served basis, you are advised to return the form as early as possible to be assured of seats for your class.

In order to prepare for the conference, middle and high school teachers are invited to attend one or both of the following events, and are advised to register as soon as possible because seating is limited:

### **1. Global Warming Community Event, Communicating Climate Change**

The New York Aquarium is collaborating with the Sea Studios Foundation and Yale University on a study to identify the best ways to engage people in discussing pressing environmental concerns. You are invited to see a short film about climate change, *Strange Days on Planet Earth: The One Degree Factor*, and learn more about how you can make a difference. By taking part in this study, you will be providing feedback the program organizers can use to engage others in critical environmental topics.

Place: New York Aquarium  
Date: Saturday, March 3, 2007  
Time: Sessions start at 10:00am, 11:50am, 12:55pm, 2:45pm and 4:35pm.  
Select the one that works best for you.  
Contact: Bob Cummings - phone: 718-265-3448, email: [rcummings@wcs.org](mailto:rcummings@wcs.org)

#### Participants Receive:

- Free parking
- Free Aquarium admission for participating adults only (18 yrs. and older)
- Copies of the film and other free gifts

## **2. Global Warming Professional Developmental Workshop**

Faculty are invited to attend a 2-hour workshop on the topic of global warming conducted by Professor Anthony DiLernia from Kingsborough Community College. Professor DiLernia is one of the conference organizers and National Chairman of NOAA's Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee. He will lead a discussion on Global Warming and distribute classroom resources prepared by NOAA that teachers can use to help them prepare their students for the conference.

Place: Kingsborough Community College  
Date: Thursday, March 29, 2007  
Time: 3:30-5:30 p.m.  
Room: Terrace Room, V219  
Contact: College Now Webmaster Pearl Dauber by phone: 718-368-5170 or by email: [pdauber@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:pdauber@kbcc.cuny.edu),

### Participants Receive:

- On-campus parking
- Late Lunch
- A packet of materials about global warming prepared by NOAA

Thank you for sharing this information with any teacher you think may find it of interest.

I look forward to seeing you at the conference on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

Dr. Rachelle Goldsmith, Director  
Office of Collaborative Programs

**Global Warming Professional Development Workshop  
March 29, 2007 at Kingsborough CC**

**Name (print) First:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last:** \_\_\_\_\_

**High School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Day:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone Eve:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved By:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*All Registrants must secure approval to attend this conference from the appropriate supervisor at their school or Region. Indicate the name of the person above and secure his/her signature.**