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LeMoyne-Owen College Hosts Wednesday Night Parent Appreciation Reception

MEMPHIS, TN (July 22, 2008) – High School students will have the chance to show off posters, slide shows, experiments and other research activities in which they have been involved over the past few weeks of summer at a special reception to be held tomorrow night at LeMoyne-Owen College. The Division of Natural and Mathematical Sciences will host the Parent Appreciation Reception on Wednesday, July 23, 2008 from 6:00 p.m., to 8:00 p.m., in the Robert Lipscomb Dining Hall, Alma C. Hanson Student Center.

The event is being held to showcase student accomplishments in three summer programs offered by the Division. For the past three summers, LeMoyne-Owen College has offered the Summer Science Academy, the SMART-UP Pre-Freshman program, and the SMART-UP Scholars Summer Research program. The goal of the *Summer Science Academy* (TLSAMP Tennessee Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation) and *SMART-UP Pre-Freshman Program* is to introduce incoming freshmen to college math and science courses.

The program is offered to graduating high school seniors who have applied and been accepted to LeMoyne-Owen College for the upcoming fall semester. Or, seniors may also qualify if they have applied and been accepted to Tennessee State University, Middle Tennessee State University, University of Memphis, University of Tennessee – Knoxville or to Vanderbilt University. Applicants must plan to major in Math, Science, Engineering or Technology (i.e., computer science). Each participant may receive a stipend up to \$750 (the actual amount is based on attendance) per program participation.

The Smart-Up Scholars Summer Research is for LeMoyne-Owen College students who major in Biology, Chemistry, or Computer Science. This program is designed for career preparation and includes a strong foundation in math, communication, and physical science at a stipend of \$4,000 dollars.

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