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Delta Sigma Theta national president and Jefferson Parish Public Schools administrator to address SUNO graduates



NEW ORLEANS, LA – Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO) announced today that the 2009 commencement speaker will be Cynthia M. A. Butler-McIntyre, the 24th National President of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and a Jefferson Parish Public Schools personnel administrator. The university's commencement will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2009, 4 p.m. at the Lakefront Arena.

Butler-McIntyre has served as the national leader of Delta Sigma Theta since August of 2008. She was elected unanimously with over 800 votes from delegates at the sorority's 49th National Convention in Orlando, Florida; and has served the organization on the local, regional and national levels.

As an educator, the New Orleans native has served the Jefferson Parish school system on various levels. Butler-McIntyre has served as a teacher, assistant principal and principal. Her professional experience also includes serving as executive director of Tech-Prep Summer Program at Delgado Community College as well as the assistant coordinator of field experiences and College of Education supervisor for early childhood student teaching experiences for the University of New Orleans.

Butler-McIntyre earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in early childhood education from Dillard University and a Master of Education degree in curriculum and instruction/educational administration from the University of New Orleans. She is the recipient of an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity degree in religious education from the Louisiana Christian Bible College. Additionally, she has completed more than 60 hours in the doctoral program at Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Some of her awards include: SHEroes of the Present, Presidential Service Award, African American Hall of Fame, Who's Who in American Education, YWCA Role Model Recognition, Outstanding Alumnus of a Historically Black College, Elementary Assistant Principal of the Year, Outstanding Young Women of America and Teacher of the Year as well as many others.

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