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## **BAHEP sponsors Public School Vendor Breakfast**

**BAY AREA HOUSTON, TEXAS** – The Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership is sponsoring its Fourth Annual Public School Vendor Breakfast on Tuesday, March 31, 2009, at NASA Johnson Space Center's Gilruth Center. The event is held to create an increase in local business participation with the Clear Creek, Dickinson, Friendswood, La Porte and Pasadena school districts, which increases local competition, decreases costs and keeps more procurement dollars in the local Bay Area economy.

Participants will learn about new business opportunities with local districts, colleges, and governments that serve over 100,000 students. They will learn how to conduct business with each of the individual school districts as well as Harris County. Additionally, the Public School Vendor Breakfast provides an opportunity to build working relationships with buyers.

BAHEP's Education and Workforce Development Committee is facilitating the event and will provide Danish pastries, coffee and juice for everyone. Doors open at 7:30 a.m. At 8:00 a.m. representatives from each school district will share information about their district, their procurement process, and any immediate or short-term procurement needs. Following the presentation, vendors will be able to visit with the buyers from each district at their display tables. The breakfast will conclude at 9:30 a.m.

NASA's Gilruth Center is located on Space Center Boulevard, Gate 5, Building 207. The Vendor Breakfast will be held in the Alamo Ballroom.

The Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership is a member-driven organization that provides the leadership to stimulate regional economic development and employment in southeast Texas. Its members include over 260 business partners encompassing 13 cities, Galveston and Harris counties, and the Port of Houston Authority. Visit [www.bayareahouston.com](http://www.bayareahouston.com).

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