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Pictured: South Suburban College Court Reporting Program alumnae LaTanya Allen, of Flossmoor, IL.

## Court Reporting Program Open House Coming to Oak Forest

OAK FOREST, IL—South Suburban College (SSC) is hosting a Court Reporting Open House on Thursday, July 25, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., in Room 5190 of the college's Oak Forest Center. The Open House will showcase this unique profession and wide-open job market, along with SSC's program and curriculum. New this fall is an evening *Court Reporting for Beginners* class.

SSC is fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and its Court Reporting Program is one of a few in the Chicagoland area that is certified by the National Court Reporters Association.

Court reporters use machine shorthand to capture the spoken word quickly and accurately. The use of sophisticated computer equipment has broadened the nature of the profession. SSC's program focuses on the theory behind it all, with an emphasis on judicial reporting.

Court reporting is an interesting, challenging field that can provide a flexible work schedule with excellent income potential. Broadcast captioners, for example, can earn over \$100,000 per year and may work out of their homes. There is a severe shortage of skilled reporters in the Chicago area, and courts need court reporters to record trials of all types. Reporters also provide closed captioning of live television such as the news and sporting events such as football, baseball, and basketball games to aid the hearing impaired.

To RSVP or for more information, call (708) 596-2000, ext. 3217 or email <u>LCooke@ssc.edu</u> Fall Registration is in progress at SSC with classes beginning August 20<sup>th</sup>. The Oak Forest Center is located at 16333 S. Kilbourn, Oak Forest, Illinois.