

## Forum explores closing the achievement

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Carl Harris, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Policy & Strategic Initiatives of Elementary and Secondary Education in the U.S. Department of Education will be the keynote presenter in a Town Hall Forum on education, 4:30pm– 6pm., Monday, May 17, 2010. The event is organized by 5th District Congressman Keith Ellison. It will be held at Columbia Heights Senior High School, 1400 49th Avenue Northeast, Columbia Heights, MN.

Harris plays an active role in the Race to the Top initiative proposed by President Obama. Since 2006, he has served as superintendent in Durham and Franklin County, N.C. In 2009 Harris was honored with the Central Carolina Regional Superintendent of the Year award. He earned his Ph.D. in Education Administration from North Carolina State University.