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**Dr. Eddie Moore Jr. Discusses Cultural Competency**

**Princeton, NJ – The Hun School of Princeton welcomed Dr. Eddie Moore Jr. on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> as part of the Centennial Speaker Series: The New 100 Years. Dr. Moore is a nationally recognized orator and diversity educator who demonstrates the importance of cultural competency skills for students who wish to confidently engage in the new world community. Dr. Moore was enthusiastically received by students and faculty.**

“America is changing. The world is changing. This [cultural competency] is the kind of skill set that you need in the twenty-first century,” said Dr. Moore. He continued, “I want to challenge you, as you look forward in the twenty-first century – building your language skills, your mathematic skills, all those things you are gathering at this phenomenal institution – that you grow your skill set around diversity.”

Dr. Stephen Fabian, chair of the History and Global Studies Department said, “Dr. Moore correctly explained the need for greater exposure to diversity as an educational tool. As a School, we provide our community with opportunities for cultural growth. Dr. Moore reminded us though, of the importance to keep cultural competence a practice toward cultural confidence.”

Dr. Moore explained that diversity skills must be comprehensive in scope, that they must be practiced with the possibility for growth and development, and that they are learned not merely for the sake of knowledge, but for the promise of action.

“It’s not enough to have the information. We need people coming out of this type of institution who can also stand up against people who are racist, who are sexist, who are homophobic,” exclaimed Dr. Moore. “When I talk to you about building your skill set, you have to also be someone who can be courageous and ready to interrupt someone who is being racist, or sexist, or homophobic.”

Breyana Greats ’14, president of the Diversity Club, was excited by the message Dr. Moore presented. She said, “I think Dr. Moore’s message was important for all of us. He reminded us that we all have privilege in our lives, and perhaps just as importantly, that we don’t need to be ashamed of our privilege. He reminded us that with privilege comes responsibility, and that we can use our education to make a difference in this world.”

Dr. Moore was the third guest to visit The Hun School as part of its Centennial Speaker Series, following former Governor of Florida Jeb Bush and National Geographic Photographer and Global Activist Alison Wright. Dr. Greg Olsen, entrepreneur, scientist, and third private citizen to orbit the Earth, will speak to students on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

For more information about the Centennial Speaker Series, visit [http://www.hunschool.org/news\\_calendar/centennial-speaker-series/index.aspx](http://www.hunschool.org/news_calendar/centennial-speaker-series/index.aspx).

**Photograph caption:**

*IMG\_0082.jpg* – Dr. Eddie Moore Jr. spoke at The Hun School of Princeton on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> about building cultural competency and confidence skills for leadership in the twenty-first century. Dr. Moore is the third guest to take part in the School’s Centennial Speaker Series.

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**About The Hun School of Princeton:**

The Hun School of Princeton is a co-educational, private boarding school in Princeton, New Jersey. Individual attention and strong student-faculty relationships are the hallmarks of the School. On the 45-acre campus between Philadelphia and New York City, student-centered, hands-on learning prepares students for the global community in which they will live and work. The Hun School is comprised of 629 students in its Middle School, Upper School, and Postgraduate Program. The Hun School is home to students from seventeen countries and fifteen states.