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**DOUGLAS EDUCATION CENTER APPOINTS JAY CLAYTON
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

Key Hire Positions School for Continued Growth

MONESSEN, PA, OCTOBER 11, 2011 – Douglas Education Center (DEC), a premier creative career institution located in Monessen, PA, today announced the appointment of Jay Clayton as the career school’s Chief Financial Officer. In this role, Clayton will direct the development and execution of DEC’s financial growth strategy and oversee the school’s accounting, internal reporting, and business development strategies. With over 20 years of experience both as a CPA and as senior management for a variety of industries including pharmaceutical manufacturing and food, Clayton will leverage his expertise and insight to help DEC execute its next phase of responsible growth, engage new business opportunities, and continue to build its team.

“We are excited to welcome this extremely accomplished individual to our team,” said Jeffrey D. Imbrescia, Chief Executive Officer and President of Douglas Education Center. “Jay has a proven track record of success and will play a pivotal role in the continued strategic growth of DEC’s operations and brand. Our plans for the future are expansive, and we are excited to have such a proven leader on the team to help us forge the future.”

Clayton has more than 20 years of managerial experience. Most recently he has served as a business consultant for a variety of pharmaceutical manufacturing companies including Genpak Solutions. Prior to this, Clayton served as Director of Management Reporting and Special Projects for Mylan, Inc., a generic pharmaceutical manufacturer. Clayton also previously served in a variety of leadership roles at H.J. Heinz Company.

A native of Westmoreland County, Clayton holds a B.A. in accounting and business from Washington & Jefferson College, is a Certified Public Accountant, and in his spare time enjoys family life with his wife, Amy, and three children, Taylor, 17; Chris, 13; and Katie, 8.

“I am honored to be joining the DEC team,” commented Clayton. “I am grateful for the opportunity to join such a dynamic group and look forward to helping DEC build upon its past successes to ensure continued growth.”

To learn more about Douglas Education Center, please visit www.dec.edu.

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Established in 1904, Douglas Education Center (DEC) is a premier career institution located in Monessen, PA. DEC creates an educational atmosphere that not only fosters the highest standards of excellence in all students, but also helps these students develop an awareness of social responsibility and ethical behavior. DEC offers programs in special make-up effects, digital film, illustration, fantasy art, graphic design, cosmetology, medical and business. Most DEC instructors are industry professionals who have actual working knowledge and experience in the program in which they teach.