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### PRIME MINISTER THOMAS BRINGS MESSAGE OF HOPE TO SECONDARY SCHOOLS

**ST. GEORGE'S, GRENADA; THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4rd, 2010** – Prime Minister Tillman Thomas took his message of hope to two more of the island's secondary schools on Thursday morning.

The Prime Minister's arrival at the Beacon High School in Belmont was greeted by singing and loud applause by students, waving hand-made Grenada flags with the Prime Minister's picture glued onto them. They gathered in front of the school building to meet the Prime Minister's party.



Students from the junior shool of Beacon High welcome the Prime Minister

A team of rangers also performed for the official party before the Prime Minister was ushered into the main assembly area to address the students.

He was met with a similar welcome at the Wesley College later that morning.

"I was very impressed with your welcome and the talent that is so apparent at your school," Prime Minister Thomas told the students at Beacon High, as he challenged them to take "all steps necessary" to protect their bodies from harmful substances and diseases.

He urged the students at both institutions to set the right priorities as their future will be determined by the decisions and choices they make now.

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Prime Minister warmly welcomed at Beacon High

"There is a time for everything. This is the time for your education. I want you to take this seriously. The time will come for family and other endeavours, but your priority, your focus, now in your teenage years, is to get a good education. Use that chance wisely," he told students at Wesley College.

Prime Minister Thomas, at both secondary schools, spoke of the need to "cultivate values" that will set the foundation for a successful career and enable a meaningful contribution to their community and their country.

"Talent is a gift, character is a choice," he reminded the students.

The Principals at both schools expressed their appreciation to the Prime Minister for his visit and message to the students.

"It is a wonderful thing when a Prime Minister thinks the nation's students so important, that he takes the time to visit with them and help to inspire them to take their education seriously. We were so elated that he you took the time to visit our school," Mrs. Cheryl Barnabe-Bishop told the Prime Minister.

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