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OAKLAND RAIDERS' CORNERBACK FABIAN WASHINGTON TO VISIT MANATEE MAGNET ELEMENTARY FRIDAY

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(Bradenton, FL. – February 7, 2007) Fabian Washington, a starting cornerback for the NFL's Oakland Raiders and a graduate of Bayshore High School, is scheduled to visit Manatee Magnet Elementary School at 2 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 9th.

During his visit, Washington is expected to speak with students during an assembly about doing their best on the upcoming Florida Comprehensive Assessment Tests taking place this month. Washington is also visiting the school to support an endowment fund set up to benefit Manatee and Bashaw Elementary Schools, and to promote his Franchise Kids Foundation, which provides educational and social support for at-risk students, especially students who come from single parent families.

“Having someone of Fabian’s stature come to visit our students is very valuable,” said Manatee Principal James Hird. “He’s a role model and he gives the kids an inspirational target to focus on as they start planning for their futures beyond elementary school.”

Washington, who attended the University of Nebraska, had 40 tackles and four interceptions for the Raiders this past season. His foundation’s web site is located at www.FranchiseKidsFounation.org

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