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**WHYY-TV TO BROADCAST FIRST SCHEDULED FOOTBALL GAME
BETWEEN DELAWARE, DELAWARE STATE ON SEPT. 19**

*Halftime to Feature Sneak Preview of First,
WHYY-TV's News and Information Magazine Program
Dedicated to Serving the First State*

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 9, 2009 — WHYY-TV will broadcast the first scheduled football game pitting the Delaware Blue Hens against the Delaware State Hornets at noon Saturday, Sept. 19, at Tubby Raymond Field at Delaware Stadium.

Tom Byrne, WHYY producer and reporter, will provide coverage from the sidelines, including interviews with the teams' coaches.

The game will be rebroadcast at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, on WHYY-TV's Y Arts channel and available to stream at www.whyy.org/video.

During halftime, WHYY-TV will broadcast a sneak preview of *First*, a 30-minute news and information magazine program produced by WHYY-TV and dedicated to covering the First State. *First*, which will premiere Sept. 25 in its time slot of 10 p.m. Fridays, will feature three in-depth stories and the roundtable discussions "First Person" and "State of Play." "First Experience," a look at the arts and culture community in Delaware, will cap each episode. The program will be hosted by Stephanie Aldrich, Tom Byrne and Bill Cook, rebroadcast at 11 a.m. Saturdays and 6 p.m. Sundays on WHYY-TV's Y Info channel and available to stream at www.whyy.org/video.

The first episode of *First* will explore the pageantry involved with the blossoming rivalry between the Blue Hens and Hornets.

The Blue Hens and Hornets played for the first time in the NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision tournament in 2007. The game, won by the Blue Hens 44-7, drew a Delaware Stadium record crowd of almost 20,000 and was broadcast live nationally by ESPN.

The programs, however, had never scheduled a game against each other. The opportunity to schedule a game this year presented itself when Furman announced in February that it would cancel its scheduled Sept. 19 game at Delaware to schedule a game at Missouri.

Delaware and Delaware State will continue a series of games in 2012, 2013 and 2014.

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