The New York City Zone is proud to recognize Virginia Matthews as their 2013 Amazing Person. Virginia received both her bachelor of science degree in physical education and her masters of science degree in bilingual special education from Adelphi University and her director’s certificate from the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts. She is an Education Administrator – Instructional Specialist for the Office of School Wellness Programs in the New York City Department of Education. Virginia also served on the Public Schools Athletic League Wingate Fund Board of Directors. The Wingate Fund serves the dual purpose of financing and administering athletic programs in New York City public schools. She was a School Health Profiles Principal Investigator and she provided health and physical education support to a Children First Network cluster, comprised of 28 schools and over 450 teachers. Virginia was a strategy 1 contributor for Promoting Adolescent Health Through School-Based HIV/STD Prevention and School-Based Surveillance. She was a contributor to the 2012 edition of the New York City HIV/AIDS Curriculum. For years, Virginia has worked closely with Adelphi University to provide future professionals a quality urban student teaching experience. It is with great pleasure that the New York City Zone recognizes Virginia Matthews as their 2013 Amazing Person.