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Week of the Young Child Celebration Starts District-Wide on Monday

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Charleston, SC – The Week of the Young Child™ is an annual celebration hosted by the National Association for the Education of Young Children to celebrate early learning, young children, their teachers, and families. This year's Week of the Young Child starts on Monday April 24, 2017, and goes through Friday, April 28, 2017.

15 locations around Charleston County School District (CCSD) will highlight activities which inspire, encourage, and educate children and their parents in creative ways. Each day has a theme: Music Monday, Tasty Tuesday, Work Together Wednesday, Artsy Thursday, and Family Friday.

For example, at Mount Zion Head Start on Monday, children will get to see a song and puppet show produced by Tiffany Maxwell of the Johns Island Regional Library. On Tuesday at St. James-Santee Head Start, students will have the opportunity to make their own smoothies using fruits and vegetables. Midland Park Primary will have their young students build replicas of dog houses on Wednesday. Children at Ladson Head Start will paint, sculpt, and draw with wet chalk outside on Thursday. On Friday at Edith L. Frierson Head Start, Family Day will feature a picnic with the St. John's Fire Department and fun activities including a hula hoop contest, sack race, and water balloon toss.

For more information about the Week of the Young Child, contact CCSD's Head Start/Early Head Start Director, Dena Davis, at (843) 937-6342.

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About the Charleston County School District

Charleston County School District (CCSD) is the second largest school system in South Carolina representing a unique blend of urban, suburban, and rural schools that span 1,000 square miles along the coast. CCSD serves more than 50,000 students in 86 schools and several specialized programs. With approximately 6,100 employees district-wide, CCSD is the fourth largest employer in the region.

CCSD offers a diverse, expanding portfolio of options and specialized programs, delivered through neighborhood, charter, magnet, IB (international baccalaureate), and Montessori schools, and is divided into three Learning Communities led by associate superintendents. Options include specialized programs in science, engineering and mathematics; liberal arts; music and other creative and performing arts; career and technical preparation programs; and military and other public service enterprises.