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CAP and Sand Springs Public Schools to host grand opening for early childhood education center

Community Action Project of Tulsa County (CAP) and Sand Springs Public Schools will host a grand opening ceremony for the new Sand Springs Early Childhood Education Center, located at 1701 E. Park Road in Sand Springs, at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 2.

Speakers for the event will include Dr. Patricia Crisp, Region 6 Representative, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Dept. Of Education; Lieutenant Governor Jari Askins; Oklahoma Secretary of State Susan Savage; Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives Chris Benge; State Superintendent Sandy Garrett; U.S. Representative Mary Fallin; State Representative Lucky Lamons; Sand Springs Mayor Bob Walker; Jadine Nollan of the Sand Springs Board of Education; Sand Springs Public Schools Superintendent Lloyd Snow; J.C. Kinder with the Sand Springs Chamber of Commerce; Ken Levit, Executive Director of the George Kaiser Family Foundation; and Steven Dow, Executive Director of Community Action Project.

The Sand Springs Early Education Center offers 20 classrooms for children ages birth through four and will provide early education and family support services to approximately 350 Sand Springs children and their families. "High quality early education programs help students succeed in school and in life. We are delighted to offer this new center to advance the learning of young children in our community," said Lloyd Snow, Superintendent of Sand Springs Public Schools.

The Center is jointly operated by Community Action Project and Sand Springs Public Schools in partnership with Family & Children's Services and is supported by funding from the state of Oklahoma and private donors as part of the State of Oklahoma's Pilot Early Childhood Program, which seeks to enhance and expand high quality early childhood education throughout Oklahoma for children birth through three years of age.

Anyone seeking information on the event may contact Kim Clenney at (918) 246-1406 or Catheryn Mason at (918) 382-3216.

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Community Action Project (CAP) of Tulsa County is the largest anti-poverty nonprofit in Oklahoma and a nationally recognized provider of research-based, high quality early childhood programs for low-income children from birth through age 5. CAP combines early childhood education of the highest caliber with innovative family financial and health services and targeted community improvement efforts, with a strategic vision to break the cycle of intergenerational poverty by improving the prospects of long-term economic success for very young, low-income children, their families, and the communities in which they live.