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## PRESS RELEASE

# CAMDEN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNOUNCES KICK-OFF TO REGISTER FOR FREE PRE-SCHOOL

*Wednesday's Pre-school Registration Day launches sign-up for free, high-quality pre-school*

March 18, 2014--Office of the Superintendent, Camden, NJ – Superintendent Paymon Rouhanifard and Early Childhood Director Katrina McCombs today announced the kick-off of registering for free pre-school. Beginning on Wednesday, March 19, parents and guardians may register their child between 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at any of the district's private providers (listed below) or [any district elementary or family school](#). On Wednesday, registration will also be held at the Administration Building, located at [201 North Front Street](#), from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

"High-quality pre-school is absolutely critical to ensuring students get a strong start in their education," Rouhanifard said. "I encourage all families to register at any of the available sites beginning on Wednesday."

To register, families will need to fill out a registration packet and provide:

- three (3) current proofs of Camden residency,
- the parent or guardian's photo ID,
- the child's original birth certificate,
- immunization records,
- physical examination records, and
- custody papers (if applicable).

If families do not have all of the above documentation, they should still come to register their children. Registration packets will be available in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese. Acceptable proof of residency includes: electricity bill, mortgage statement, phone bill (residential or cell), cable bill, credit card statement, student loan documentation, state and government-issued documents, and/or a bank statement.

Children must be three (3) or four (4) years old on or before October 1, 2014. Again, beginning on Wednesday and continuing throughout the school year, parents and guardians may register at any of one of the district's approved private providers or elementary and family schools offering pre-school classes.

Wednesday's kick-off is part of a multimedia campaign launched earlier this month by the Office of Early Childhood. Members of the Office of Early Childhood have been canvassing the Camden community with flyers and knocking on doors to share information about Pre-school Registration Day. In addition, information about pre-school registration is being shared through billboards that are posted throughout the City and through radio ads being played on popular stations.

Serving nearly 2,500 students and families throughout the City, the district's Early Childhood program provides a variety of services and programs for 3- and 4-year olds. The high-quality pre-school program operates out of more than two dozen private and district locations that are home to more than 170 classrooms.

<b>Private Providers</b>	<b>Elementary/Family Schools</b>
Acelero Learning, 1700 Pierce Ave. Camden, NJ 08105 856-365-113	Henry L. Bonsall School, 1575 Mt. Ephraim Ave. Camden, NJ 08104 856-966-5088
Acelero Learning, 804-806 N. 27 St. Camden NJ 856-635-9550	Octavius V. Catto School, 3100 Westfield Ave. Camden, NJ 856-966-4097
Acelero Learning, 331 Grand Ave. Camden, NJ 08105 856-203-5111	Cooper's Poynt, 201 State St. Camden, NJ 08102 856-966-5370
Broadway Family Center, 250 Line St. Camden, NJ	Alfred Cramer School, 2800 Mickle St. Camden, NJ 08102 856-966-8910
Camden Day Nursery, 327-331 Stevens St. Camden, NJ 08103 856-365-2200	Riletta Twyne Cream, 1875 Mulford St. Camden, NJ 08104 856-966-4760
Center For Family Services (Centerville) 1475 S. 8 St., Camden, NJ 856-964-2100	Dr. Henry H. Davis, 3425 Cramer St. Camden, NJ 08105 856-966-8920
Center for Family Services (Pine St.) 505-516 Pine St, Camden, NJ 08103 856-964-2100	Thomas H. Dudley, 2250 Berwick St. Camden, NJ 08105 856-365-0636
Center for Family Services (Mt. Calvary) 1172 Lawrence St., Camden, NJ 856-966-1082	Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC) 1602 Pine St., Camden, NJ 08103 856-966-4171

El Centro Comunal Borincano Day Care, Inc. 438 Martin Luther King Blvd. Camden, NJ 08103 856-541-0102	Francis X. McGraw, 3051 Fremont St. Camden, NJ 08105 856-966-8960
Hispanic Day Care Center, 3908 Westfield Ave. Camden, NJ 08105 856-964-3883	Rafael Cordero Molina Elementary, 601 Vine St. Camden, NJ 08102 856-966-8970
Mi Casita Day Care – East, 2601 Carmen St. Camden, NJ 08105 856-541-3372	<i>Harry C. Sharp Elementary, 928 N. 32 St. Camden, NJ 08102 856-966-8988</i>
Mi Casita Day Care – South, 551 Spruce St. Camden, NJ 08103 856-541-4772	<i>Charles Sumner Elementary, 1600 South 8 St. Camden, NJ 08104 856-966-8908</i>
Respond-Inc. (Bank St., Fairview Village, Linden, North Camden, & Pyne Poynt), 532 State St. Camden, NJ 08102 856-365-4403	<i>Veterans Memorial School, 800 N. 26 St. Camden, NJ 08105 856-966-5090</i>
Rutgers Early Childhood Program, 501 Cooper St. Camden, NJ 08102 856-614-5619	<i>John Greenleaf Whittier, 740 Chestnut St. Camden, NJ 08103 856-966-8999</i>
St. Joseph’s Day Care, 17 Church St. Camden, NJ 08105 856-963-9202	<i>Dr. Ulysses S. Wiggins, 400 Mt. Vernon St. Camden, NJ 08103 856-966-5120</i>
Ward Center for Children, 1101-1105 Broadway Camden, NJ 08103 856-541-4900	<i>Henry B. Wilson 2250 S. 8 St. Camden, NJ 08104 856-966-3961</i>
	<i>Yorkship Elementary School, 1251 Collings Ave. Camden, NJ 08104 856- 966-5110</i>

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