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Metro Action Head Start Program Joins National Celebration of the Week of the Young Child

Nashville—The Metropolitan Action Commission Head Start Program, which is the largest provider of Early Childhood Education in Davidson County, will join the national celebration of the Week of the Young Child beginning Monday, April 20.

Week of the Young Child, sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children, is celebrated nationally by early childhood programs across the country, including Head Start programs.

The Metro Action Head Start program will host events throughout the week that are designed to celebrate the children and their families through a “learn through play” concept. Although there are activities planned each day at all seven Head Start locations, below is a list of highlighted events scheduled throughout the week:

Monday, April 20

- Dudley Head Start Center (1203 3rd Avenue, 37210) **Field Day**. The staff and students will participate in a day filled with outdoor activities and booths created by each class. (10 a.m.-2 p.m.)
- Tom Joy Head Start Center (1901 Lischey Avenue, 37207) **Concert featuring Child Entertainer, Rachel Sumner** (WolfTrap/Tennessee Performing Arts Center). The staff and students will enjoy a live performance on popular children’s songs. (10:15am-11:15am)

Tuesday, April 21

- Frederick Douglass Head Start (214 North 7th Street, 37206), **70’s Day** (9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.). Children will come dressed in hippie-like and wild colored clothes for a rockin’ day.

Wednesday, April 22

- Susan Gray Head Start Center (445 Cotton Lane, 37211), **The Nashville Broncos Day**. The Players and the Mascot of the American Basketball Association Team, Nashville Broncos will visit the center. Children will wear shirts and jerseys from our favorite teams (11:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.)

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Wednesday, April 22 (Continued)

- Berry Head Start (2233 Winford Avenue, 37211, near Nolensville Road at 1-440), **Green/Earth Day Celebration**. Children will wear green and bring something to school to recycle and plant flowers. (Starting at 10 a.m.)

Thursday, April 23

- Richland Head Start (5900 Charlotte Pike, 37209, near White Bridge Road), **Bubble Day**. Children will participate in blowing gigantic bubbles as well as hundreds of mini bubbles in outdoor play. (10am-2pm).
- North Head Start (1624 5th Avenue North, 37208) will celebrate **Favorite Character Day**. Children will dress up as their favorite hero character or cartoon character. (10am-12 noon)

Friday, April 24

- Tom Joy Head Start Center (1901 Lischey Avenue, 37207), **Candy Land Fun Day**. Children will decorate candy bags, tour “candy land,” enjoy face painting and outdoor activities in a carnival like atmosphere. (10am-2pm).
- Berry Head Start (2233 Winford Avenue, 37211, near Nolensville Road at 1-440), will have an **Ice Cream Social**. Children will be making all kinds of wacky ice cream sundaes! (10am-2pm)

For information about covering the 2009 Week of the Young Child events held at any Metro Action Commission Head Start location, please contact Lisa Gallon at 862-8860, Ext. 144 or 566-4710 (cell).

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