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Main Street Child Development Center Earns National Recognition

Fairfax, VA / July 18, 2014 – Main Street Child Development Center (Main Street) has earned reaccreditation from National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)—the nation’s leading organization of early childhood professionals. Approximately 10 percent of all preschools and other early childhood programs achieve this distinction.

The renewal process required Main Street’s administration and staff to provide evidence of meeting 400 individual criteria throughout the program. The effort was enormous, spanning nearly a full year and requiring many extra hours of work.

“I continue to be amazed by the passion and commitment of the Main Street staff,” said Carol Lieske, Director of the Main Street Child Development Center. “Thanks go out to our families and supporters too, as we would not be able to continue to uphold the mark of quality represented by NAEYC-accreditation without your contributions in making Main Street Child Development Center such a very special community.”

For over 40 years, Main Street’s affordable programs have allowed low-income, working parents to maintain employment and ensure the quality education of their children thus contributing to family stability and the expansion of the county’s tax base. The center continues its proven tradition of providing an outstanding childcare program to low-income and working families in Fairfax and the surrounding community.

About Main Street Child Development Center

In 1973, Main Street Child Development Center (Main Street) was founded to provide affordable accredited early childhood education for predominately low-income working families in Fairfax County. Since our founding 40 years ago, Main Street has served 5,000 disadvantaged children and their families by preparing them for kindergarten, closing the achievement gap, and increasing parent engagement in their children’s lives. Main Street is accredited through the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and holds a high four-star rating through the Virginia State Quality Initiative.

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