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OPEN HOUSE PLANNED AT LEARNING CIRCLE PRESCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY JANUARY 18 AT 9 AM

Canton, MA, December 26, 2011 - Parents looking for preschool, transitional kindergarten, or kindergarten options for the 2011-2012 academic year or for summer enrichment programs for children 2.9-7 are invited to attend an Open House on Wednesday January 18, from 9-10:30 am (while school is in session) at Learning Circle Preschool, 3 Blue Hill River Road, Canton.

At this meeting, parents will have the opportunity to observe classrooms in session and to collect information about preschool and kindergarten curriculum during the academic school year. Parents will also hear about the integrated arts curriculum model used during the Summer Science and Arts Program scheduled for June 11 – July 19, 2012. Katrina Selawsky, Director of the Learning Circle Preschool, will be on hand to answer any questions parents may have about quality preschool experiences, kindergarten “readiness,” and the impact of class size, emotional and social development, and teacher expectations on a child’s successful school experience.

Learning Circle Preschool, accredited by NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children) offers two, three, or five-day programs for children aged 2.9 -7. Set at the foot of the Great Blue Hill, the facility houses three spacious classrooms and features a highly individualized, creative, and engaging curriculum that follows best practice guidelines developed by Massachusetts and the National Association of Educators of Young Children.

The Learning Circle’s kindergarten class accepts older pre-k children who are not yet eligible for a public school kindergarten but who may benefit developmentally from a transitional class, as well as children who will make the transition to first grade in the following year.

Learning Circle uses a project approach in curriculum development that is inspired by schools that developed in Reggio Emilia, Italy. This exemplary model of early childhood education has at its core a deep belief in the competence and creativity of young children. What makes these programs so special is:

- an emergent curriculum model developed from observations of the children’s play
- a focus on projects and collaborative learning
- an integrated approach to learning using the graphic arts as tools for both cognitive and social development
- carefully organized and aesthetically pleasing classrooms and common spaces
- an understanding that the school environment can teach, and sets a tone for a comfortable and engaging environment for learning.

The children's work is extensively documented using photographs, the children's own drawings, dictations from the children, and videos of classroom projects in action. This documentation helps teachers develop curriculum meaningful to the children, and helps children remember and share their experiences together. Documentation also gives family members a concrete picture of each child’s day at school.

Please call the Director, Katrina Selawsky at **781-828-4800** for more information or to arrange a tour of the facility. Parents may also contact the school by email (info@learningcirclepreschool.org) or visit the school’s website at www.learningcirclepreschool.org.