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FTCC's Early Childhood Education Center Receives 5-Star Rating

FAYETTEVILLE, NC - March 21, 2011 – The Early Childhood Education Center at Fayetteville Technical Community College has received the Five-Star License Rating issued by the North Carolina Division of Child Development. The Five-Star License Rating represents the highest license rating that a child care center can be awarded. Ann Johnston serves as the director of FTCC's Early Childhood Education Center.

The rating system was put into place to offer parents more information on the quality of available child care options. According to the NC Division of Child Development, all programs earn star ratings based on staff education and program standards, two components identified as giving parents the best indication of quality. A one-star rating means that a child care program meets North Carolina's minimum licensing standards for child care. Programs who choose to voluntarily meet higher standards can apply for a two- to five-star license.

"We are pleased that the Early Childhood Education Center has earned the highest (five-star) rating. We believe in lifelong learning at Fayetteville Tech; the strong foundation our youngest learners receive through childhood education ultimately leads to success in adult learning. We are very proud of our children and our staff at the Early Childhood Education Center," said FTCC President Dr. Larry Keen.

Founded in 1961, Fayetteville Technical Community College is one of 58 institutions in the North Carolina Community College System. FTCC serves more than 34,000 students annually by providing over 150 occupational, technical, general education, college transfer, and continuing education programs.

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