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## **Cabrillo College Children's Center Announces New Preschool Programs and Community Open House**

APTOS, CA —The Cabrillo College Children's Center today announced that it will offer two new preschool programs for Fall 2011. The new programs include a morning preschool program from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and an afternoon preschool program from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The programs will operate during the fall and spring semesters and will follow the college semester schedule. Both new programs will operate five days per week.

The Cabrillo College Children's Center will also host an open house on Saturday, May 21, from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. All community members are welcome to attend. During the event, children and families may tour the facility and experience preschool activities and Children's Center staff will be present to answer questions. Applications will be available and preschool slots are currently open to children of students, faculty and community members. Financial assistance is provided for income eligible families. The Children's Center is located in the 1500 Building on the Aptos campus at 6500 Soquel Drive. For more information, please call the Children's Center Director, Jim Marshall at 479-6117.

### **About the Cabrillo College Children's Center**

*The Cabrillo College Children's Center has achieved Re-Accreditation with the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The rigorous candidacy and self-assessment were approved prior to the accreditation visit in January. The Infant, Toddler and Preschool classrooms received scores above 95 in each classroom and the Program overall scored 100 in seven of the 10 areas reflecting quality care and education. This is the fourth time the program has achieved the five-year accreditation. The program serves 68 children in the three classrooms. Applications are available for interested families on the Cabrillo College website or at the Children's Center office, located in the 1500 building of the Aptos campus.*

### **About Cabrillo College**

*Cabrillo College is a leading California community college serving Santa Cruz County with locations in Aptos, Scotts Valley and Watsonville. It is ranked #1 in transfers to UC Santa Cruz. Founded in 1959, the college offers over 100 academic and career technical education programs that serve multiple educational goals such as A.A. and A.S. degrees, certificates of achievement, skills certificates, transfer to 4-year institutions or for lifelong learning and personal enrichment. Its mission is to enhance the intellectual, cultural, and economic vitality of our diverse community by assisting all students in their quest for lifelong learning and success in an ever-changing world.*

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