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**The Children's Courtyard Hosts Fall Festival  
to Benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation**

LEWISVILLE, Texas, October 28, 2009 – The Children's Courtyard is excited to announce their annual Fall Festival benefiting Make-A-Wish Foundation. The event takes place on Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at the school – located at 4660 FM 2881 – from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Fall Festival will include arts and crafts for children of all ages, karaoke, face painting, snacks and refreshments, and great prizes! All proceeds will be donated to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Local families are encouraged to attend.

"The Make-A-Wish Foundation is an organization dedicated to helping children, just as we are at The Children's Courtyard," said Krystal Apple, director at The Children's Courtyard. "While we know our Fall Festival will be fun for local families, it's truly about making a difference and we are glad to be a small part of what the Make-A-Wish Foundation does."

All of The Children's Courtyard schools across the country will be hosting fundraising events to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Since 2003, Learning Care Group – the parent company of The Children's Courtyard – and its family of brands have raised more than \$5.6 million for the non-profit organization.

**About The Children's Courtyard**

Founded in Arlington, Texas in 1986, The Children's Courtyard operates approximately 50 early education and child care locations in the Austin, Houston and Dallas-Fort Worth areas. With programs for infants through school-agers, The Children's Courtyard offers exciting and educational learning experiences through active exploration and discovery. Its innovative Lab Schools train and develop staff ensuring that each teacher helps promote a lifetime love of learning. For more information, please call Customer Support at (877) 892-4453 or visit [www.childrenscourtyard.com](http://www.childrenscourtyard.com).

**About the Make-A-Wish Foundation**

The Make-A-Wish Foundation grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. Born in 1980 when a group of caring people helped a young boy fulfill his dream of becoming a police officer, the Foundation is now the largest wish-granting charity in the world, with 69 chapters in the United States and its territories. With the help of generous donors and nearly 25,000 volunteers, the Make-A-Wish Foundation grants more than 12,600 wishes a year and has granted more than 150,000 wishes in the U.S. since its inception. For more information about the Make-A-Wish Foundation, visit [www.wish.org](http://www.wish.org) and discover how you can *share the power of a wish*®.

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