

Episcopal Children's Services Support Staff Recognized by the Florida Head Start Association

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TALLAHASSEE, **FL** – **November 1**, **2022** – Mr. Kenneth Davis of Episcopal Children's Services in Jacksonville, FL, has been named Support Staff of the Year by the Florida Head Start Association. Mr. Davis has worked as a Center Support Assistant for Episcopal Children's Services for seven years. He holds a Childhood Development Associate (CDA), has completed many trainings, and meets Voluntary PreKindergarten Education Program (VPK) lead teacher requirements.

Kenneth's work makes an impact on everyone at our program, from staff to parents and children. He'll switch from one role to the other on any given day, stepping in to help where needed, whether to clean bathrooms, greet families and staff entering the building, or teach in our classrooms. No matter his role, he is always cheerful, available, and accessible. As a testament to the scope of his impact, we received 12 letters of recommendation, voluntarily submitting him for this award.

Marvis McDavid, Center Manager of Howard Head Start, notes, "Kenneth rose to the occasion as a VPK teacher and displays great leadership when it comes to the safety of our environment. I believe there could be no better person to receive this award other than Mr. Davis."

The Head Start Grantee Recipient selects nominees and is evaluated by a panel of peers and chosen by the FHSA awards committee. Recipients will be honored during the FHSA annual awards luncheon at the Hard Rock Hotel in Daytona Beach, FL, on February 9, 2023. Full details about the event can be found at www.FLHeadStart.org.

About FHSA

The Florida Head Start Association is a nonprofit organization working on behalf of the 43,000 children and families in Florida. Head Start is an innovative federal-to-local program delivering services from school readiness, comprehensive health, and family support services. The Head Start Program Performance Standards drive programs to strengthen and improve the quality to ensure that all children start school ready to succeed. FHSA has been the voice for Florida's most vulnerable children and families since 1999 and is committed to enhancing and supporting the capability of local Head Start programs in the delivery of high-quality services for our children and families.

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