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Preschool Advantage Honors two Parsippany area Preschools

All Saints Academy and Hearts and Hands Preschool each received an award for Excellence in Preschool Education

Parsippany, NJ – May 31, 2019 -- Preschool Advantage awarded its Golden Acorn award for excellence to two preschools in Parsippany this year. Principal Judith Berg accepted the award for All Saints Academy and School Director Scott Walder accepted for Hearts and Hands Preschool. The awards were presented at Preschool Advantage's annual Preschool Director's Luncheon this spring.

The Golden Acorn Awards are a result of a rigorous process of evaluation by Preschool Advantage's School Committee. This Committee, which is comprised of numerous current and former preschool directors and teachers who care deeply about early childhood education, visit Preschool advantage's partner preschools on a three-year cycle to ensure that the quality of their programs is maintained. The partner schools have to show excellence in five key criteria: teacher and child interaction, curriculum, family involvement, staff qualifications, professional development, and management of the school. Once the Committee determines a partner school meets the required standards of excellence, Preschool Advantage recognizes its achievement by bestowing its **Golden Acorn Award** for exemplary quality in preschool education.

All Saints Academy, a nationally accredited STEM school from preschool through Grade 8 is part of the Diocese of Paterson and is centrally located in Parsippany. On receiving the Golden Acorn Award, Judith Berg, the Principal, comments on the school's honor of being an award recipient and a Preschool Advantage partner school. "Our school closely shares with Preschool Advantage its commitment to providing young children with a high quality early childhood education. It is such an important building block of a child's education!" She further adds, "We look forward to a continued partnership with Preschool Advantage and to serving many more young children and their families in years to come." The Hearts and Hands Preschool is located at the Parsippany Presbyterian Church on Route 46 in Parsippany. The Director of the school Scott Walder shares the school's pride in its relationship with Preschool Advantage and states, "The Hearts and Hands staff appreciate the "Golden Acorn Award" and the recognition of all the hard work they put into making the preschool a safe, healthy and nurturing learning environment." He adds, "We look forward to providing a hands-on learning experience for years to come."

Preschool Advantage is a non-profit organization, which since its inception over 20 years ago, has provided families with financial assistance for high quality preschool education and has paid some 1,500 tuitions. The organization's goal is to fund 100 tuitions each year. Additional information about the organization can be found on preschooladvantage.org, or by calling (973) 532-2501.