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## **For Immediate Release**

### **Woonsocket Organization Enrolls All Child Care Programs in BrightStars**

***Woonsocket Head Start Child Development Association, Inc. becomes the first organization in the state to achieve a BrightStars Quality Rating for all of their early education program sites.***

**East Greenwich, RI, August 2, 2012** –Woonsocket Head Start Child Development Association, Inc., with four child care centers and Head Start locations in Woonsocket, becomes the first in the state to achieve a BrightStars Quality Rating for all of their sites. Woonsocket Head Start CDA, Inc. has been helping thousands of children get the best start on their formal education since 1974 and is committed to developing partnerships with parents, which support their role as primary educators of their children.

This month BrightStars was extremely proud to recognize the final site to enroll, Woonsocket Head Start CDA, Inc. – Highland Park Children’s Center, awarding their child care program a 4 star rating. Currently all four sites have achieved 4 and 5 star ratings. In order to achieve a 4 and 5 Star rating, the four sites were measured across multiple quality standards and criteria.

In the nearly three years that Woonsocket Head Start Child Development Association, Inc. has been working with BrightStars, the organization and all of its team members have shown consistent commitment and dedication to ensuring that all areas of its programming meet the highest standards of quality.

#### **About BrightStars**

BrightStars is managed by the Rhode Island Association for the Education of Young Children. BrightStars, helps families in Rhode Island access quality child care, early learning, and school-age programs. BrightStars also helps child care providers learn about best practices in early learning apply them to the care children receive. Visit [www.BrightStars.org](http://www.BrightStars.org) for more information.

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