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Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools and Imprints Cares Offer Supper Program

Winston-Salem, NC, January __, 2019 – Imprints Cares and the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools are pleased to announce a new partnership to provide nutritious, hot suppers to children who attend after-school programs at nine schools in the district. The importance and nutritional value of school meals are well documented, and many students and families rely on school meals as a significant source of nutrition. 125 students participated during the first week of the program.

Lauren Richards, director of Child Nutrition, said, “We are very excited about working with Imprints to provide this additional meal option to students. With having roughly 56% of our students on free and reduced lunch, we recognize the need for food in our communities and have learned a lot about the barriers many of our families face daily, which includes stretching their budgets to put food on the table when students are out of school.” She continued, “So, with the new supper option, why not make one thing a little less challenging for our families and help close the hunger gap.”

A hot supper is offered daily at Smith Farm, Union Cross, Middle Fork, Speas, South Fork, Bolton, Old Town, Julian Gibson, and Rural Hall Elementary Schools. “We have received an overwhelmingly positive response from our families,” said Betty West, Director of Expanded Learning Programs at Imprints Cares. “We want to offer services that provide families with the tools that they need to raise safe, healthy children who are ready to learn. The supper program is a natural extension of what we do every day.”

About Imprints Cares

Founded in 1969, Imprints Cares is an early childhood education nonprofit in Forsyth County, NC which helps to break the cycle of poverty and provides families with the tools that they need to raise children who are ready to face the academic challenges of school. Imprints Cares Ready for School programs target the needs of children in poverty (birth to 5 years). Imprints Cares also offers Expanded Learning Services (before and after school, summer enrichment, and tutoring) to school age children. For more information, visit ImprintsCares.org.

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