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Press Release

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The Incredible Years Program Begins this Fall at Burns Elementary

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NORTH CHARLESTON-- The Incredible Years Program was implemented at Burns Elementary School in the fall of 2008 and was met with much success.

The Incredible Years Parents, Teachers, and Children Training Series has two long-range goals. The first goal is to develop comprehensive treatment programs for young children with early onset conduct problems. The second goal is the development of cost-effective, community-based, universal prevention programs that all families and teachers of young children can use to promote social competence and to prevent children from developing conduct problems in the first place. The Dina Dinosaur Curriculum was delivered in kindergarten and first grade classrooms. Puppets are used to teach the following concepts to the children:

- How to make new friends and learning school rules
- How to understand & detect feelings
- Identified the steps in problem solving
- How to calm down and think of a solution to your problem.
- How to be Friendly
- How to Talk with Friends
- How to Do Your Best in School

The kindergarten and first grade teachers also received instruction in classroom management strategies. The program continues this year in Kindergarten and first grade. We are also proud to announce that Child Development will join the roster this year. Parents in these classrooms will have the opportunity to participate in a Parenting Class of the Incredible Years Program this fall. We are encouraging parents to participate in this award winning program which provides an opportunity to get more involved with their child's education. MUSC College of Nursing was recognized by the CCSD School Board for their implementation of this award winning program.

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