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**National Children's Center (NCC) Kicks off "Read Across America" Initiative with LaJoy Johnson-Law, DC State Board of Education (SBOE), Ward 8 Representative**

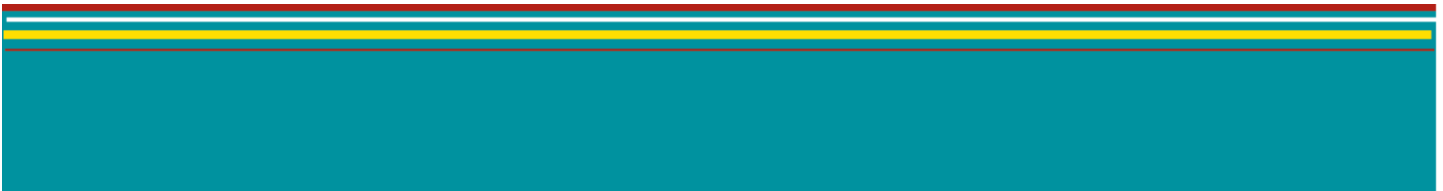
**Washington, D.C. – March 3, 2025** – National Children's Center's Early Learning and Early Intervention Center (ELC) is thrilled to announce the official launch of its **Read Across America Campaign** on **Monday, March 3, 2025**, at 10:00 am at 3400 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE, WDC.

Located in the heart of Congress Heights, this exciting event will feature a **Storytime session** with **Abria Law**, a former ELC student, and her mother, **Ward 8 SBOE Representative, LaJoy Johnson-Law**. Together, they will read and engage the children in a celebration of literacy and imagination that will mark the beginning of a fun-filled week of reading activities.

Following the Storytime session, Charlene Polk, Family Engagement Manager, will continue the celebration throughout the week of March 3rd – March 7th, offering additional reading opportunities for community partners and parents to engage with students and encourage the joy of reading.

The ELC is dedicated to fostering a love of reading and literacy through engaging activities and community support for children of all abilities. Terrance King, NCC President and CEO, said, "Reading creates a space for imagination and helps children see that endless possibilities await them—children can laugh, feel the excitement, and become inspired." We encourage all families, leaders, and authors to participate in this exciting week of events as we kick off Read Across America month with a blast!

For more information on the week's events or to get involved, please contact [info@nccinc.org](mailto:info@nccinc.org).





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**About ELC:**

The Early Learning & Early Intervention Center provides high-quality and NAEYC accredited early childhood education and intervention for children aged 8-weeks to 5-years in an inclusive setting. With over 30 years of experience, ELC has supported thousands of children, including those who are medically fragile and those with typical and atypical development. The National Children's Center (NCC) is a leading non-governmental provider of services and community-based programs for infants, children, and adults with and without disabilities in Washington, D.C. metropolitan and surrounding areas. For over 65 years, NCC has advocated for individuals, ensuring the skills necessary to Live, Grow, Work, and Thrive.

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