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PARTNERS IN EDUCATION AND UNITED WAY OFFER FREE “STEPPING STONES” GROWTH CHARTS

Green Bay, Wis.- (Jan. 8, 2010) – Partners in Education and the United Way of Brown County are now offering free growth and development posters – called The Stepping Stones for School Success – for parents, grandparents, caregivers and others.

These fun, friendly and informative charts highlight social, emotional and physical developmental goals parents and others can assist in developing in their newborn to 5-year-old child. The chart is the result of efforts by Nancy Schopf, vice president of education at the Chamber, representatives from all 10 area school districts, early childhood agencies and the Community Partnership for Children through the United Way.

“The chart is intended to further the opportunity for school success by noting – and more importantly, encouraging – parents and others close to children to work on at certain ages,” said Schopf. “It’s intended to help families prepare their children’s school readiness as well as to encourage them to enroll their 4-year-old or 5-year-old in school earlier in the calendar year.”

That two-fold effort is highly commended by school administrators and officials like Damian LaCroix, superintendent of Howard-Suamico Schools and chairman of the Partners in Education executive board.

“The Stepping Stones poster is a creative and fun way to inform parents about key growth and development milestones in children ages birth to age 5. It promises to equip and engage parents with knowledge to assist them in successfully leading their child on the path to school readiness,” he said.

Charts are available for free. Individual copies are available at all Brown County Library locations, the United Way of Brown County and at the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce. For multiple copies to be distributed through your organization, contact Schopf at 920.593.3413.

Established in 1882, the mission of the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce is to serve as the focal point of economic and community development. Chamber programs include Advance, Partners in Education, Leadership Green Bay, Brown County Teen Leadership, Current Young Professionals Network, Good Government Council and the International Business Development Consortium. For more information on Partners in Education, visit GreenBayPartnersinEducation.org or call 920.437.8704. For more information about the Chamber, call 920.437.8704 or visit titletown.org.

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