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**Tuesday May 31, 2005**

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**\*\*\*\*PRESS ADVISORY\*\*\*\***

**Madison** – Children will deliver “keys” to members of the Joint Committee on Finance to send the message that they are the “key” to preserving four-year-old kindergarten in Wisconsin. News reports have suggested that the Committee will vote to eliminate funding for existing four-year-old kindergarten this week.

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**1pm Key delivery to members of Joint Committee on Finance**

Many of the keys were decorated by children who are constituents of committee members. The keys are made with the 4K symbol and are decorated with a wide variety of materials.

“This key is presented to you in recognition of your leadership role in making decisions that are key to securing promising futures for children in your legislative district and across the state through access to quality early education and four-year-old kindergarten.”

Wisconsin Council on Children and Families is a non-profit, nonpartisan advocacy organization that works for quality early education opportunities and a number of other issues affecting Wisconsin children and families. The Early Education Matters program at WCCF has given out 21 grants to communities all over Wisconsin to explore and plan for community based four-year-old kindergarten.

Crews of children will deliver the keys starting at approximately 1pm. The children will have a list of offices they will visit. For more information contact Julie Laundrie can be reached via cell at 772-0110.

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