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Early Childhood Tuition Assistance Fully Funded for The Music Settlement at Ohio City, University Circle

Financial Aid Available for Preschool, Day School Families

CLEVELAND –April 13, 2018- Preschool is an important foundation for the development of young children’s minds and social skills, but high-quality programs can be financially out-of-reach. The Music Settlement announced today that need-based tuition assistance has been fully funded for its Preschool and Day School programs at the organization’s Ohio City and University Circle campuses.

“We are thrilled about the generous tuition support we’ve secured for our programs. Our enrolled Preschool and Day School families are delighted,” said Karen Heitlinger, Chair, Center for Early Childhood at The Music Settlement. “Now, our Preschool and Day School programs will become a reality for many new students and families without the means to participate in our early childhood programming.”

The new Ohio City early childhood creative-arts curriculums are an exact replica of the TMS University Circle 5-Star Award, Step Up To Quality programs. This ensures that children enrolled in the Ohio City campus receive the same high-quality, age-appropriate instruction as those at the University Circle campus.

“The Music Settlement’s expansion into Ohio City is one project of our ambitious capital campaign that enables us to broaden and positively impact the communities we serve. We are incredibly grateful for the tuition support provided by our generous funders; they understand the benefits of access to high-quality Preschool and Day School programs and they agree with us that every child deserves this opportunity to succeed.” said Annie Schwarz, VP for Institutional Advancement at The Music Settlement.

The Music Settlement's Center for Early Childhood is enrolling now for Fall 2018 at both campuses. Interested families can learn more and RSVP for an informational parent visit at TMSkids.org, or by calling 261-421-5806 ext. 160. Tours of the Ohio City campus will be available starting Summer 2018.

About The Music Settlement

Founded in 1912 by Almeda Adams as The Cleveland Music School Settlement, The Music

Settlement (TMS) is one of the nation's oldest community schools of music. Providing early childhood education since 1955 and music therapy since 1966, The Music Settlement remains on the forefront of music-based initiatives that advance human potential. Its programs reach students from birth through retirement and beyond. TMS is generously funded by Cuyahoga Arts and Culture and the Ohio Arts Council. In 2014, TMS opened the BOP STOP nightclub at 2920 Detroit Ave. in Ohio City, after its donation to the organization in late 2013. In 2017, TMS won its third consecutive Cleveland Magazine "Best Music Instruction" award. The organization is building a new campus in Ohio City, which will open in Fall 2018. Its online properties include www.TheMusicSettlement.org, facebook.com/TheMusicSettlement, twitter.com/musicsettlement, and Instagram.com/themusicsettlement. Classes and programs can be sorted by age group at www.TheMusicSettlement.org/all.

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