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Summer IS OVER and School is Back in Session

HOUSTON (August 22, 2019) August is here and that means school is back in session and Easter Seal Greater Houston’s The Caroline School is no exception. For the 2019-2020 school year the teachers and staff are excited to announce the use of a new curriculum, adding new teachers to the staff and much more.

The Caroline School was founded by Elizabeth DeLuca, Caroline’s mother in honor of Caroline, a child with multiple disabilities, who has since passed. She was not able to find an appropriate school in the area to meet her child’s needs and give her the attention she needed to thrive and excel. Now thanks to Elizabeth, there is a place where students are thriving, reaching milestones and blowing away expectations every day.

The Caroline School is able to meet the needs of students with multiple disabilities and who are medically fragile on both an individual and small group level. Teachers use several research based curricula with our students as there is no one academic curriculum that is appropriate for the children whom they serve. This year they are excited to announce that they will add the OATECA assessment and curriculum to their learning tools through which measureable goals and objectives are created from the curriculum to foster each student’s learning experience.

All students at The Caroline School have access to utilize high tech assistive technology devices such as iPads and Apple TV’s to low tech devices like the Big Mac through Easter Seals BridgingApps, award winning smart technology lab and program. Teachers and staff implement assistive technology for communication, academic goals, and if necessary as a positive reinforcement on a daily basis and as appropriate for each child.

Along with a strong academic focus their students also participate in Music, Art and Dance Therapy once a week. These outside therapies are a wonderful addition to the school program. These additional programs work with the children incorporating their respected therapy into the daily program utilizing each student’s goals and objectives.

The Caroline School works in conjunction with Easter Seals’ Children’s Therapy Program. Both programs are housed in the same building for this reason. Children’s Therapy offers speech, occupational and physical therapies. While it is a separate program from The Caroline School many families take advantage of the close proximity and appreciate the open communication between the teachers and therapists to ensure follow through with therapy goals in the classroom.

About Easter Seals Greater Houston
Easter Seals Greater Houston, Inc., a United Way Agency, is a non-profit corporation established to provide comprehensive services to individuals of all ages with all types of disabilities and veterans as well as their families. As the only local organization providing a broad range of comprehensive services to individuals and families affected by disabilities, Easter Seals of Greater Houston operates: Early Childhood Intervention; Respite Services; Toy/Tech & Play Groups including BridgingApps™; High School/High Tech; Home of Your Own; Therapy Services; The Caroline School; Camps and Case Management; Transition Services; Adult Services, and Veterans Services. For more information about Easter Seals Greater Houston, visit www.eastersealshouston.org or visit us on Facebook and Twitter (@eastersealshou).