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## Any Given Child Jacksonville partners with MOSH for Choosing to Participate exhibition

Any Given Child Jacksonville is pleased to partner with the Museum of Science and History for a *Choosing to Participate* exhibition about the importance of arts education and its impact on individuals and the Jacksonville community. The exhibition will be on display on the second floor of the museum through Monday, December 4.

Choosing to Participate is a presentation of organizations that present the experiences of individuals and communities, explore the impact of cultural differences, and encourage viewers to consider the consequences of everyday choices. This exhibit is made possible by the support of Community First Credit Union.

The focus of the AGC exhibition is #TheArtsAddUp – a hashtag that was created to highlight the ability of an arts-rich education to set the stage for success in our classrooms and communities. Guests are encouraged to share an experience in the arts – big or small – that has affected their lives in some way by taking a selfie in front of a #TheArtsAddUp backdrop and sharing via social media, using the hashtag, of course!

Teachers, business leaders and researchers agree – the arts add up to enhanced leadership skills, confidence and grit in children. They also contribute to increased high school graduation rates, a stronger economy, and more creative employees equipped to solve the business challenges of tomorrow.

The hope is that by sharing individual stories, collectively we will strengthen the message that every student deserves access to a quality arts education. Every voice will help harness the power of the arts to transform schools so that Jacksonville is overflowing with creative capital.

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Any Given Child Jacksonville is uniting diverse stakeholders that include Duval County Public Schools personnel and students, arts organizations, artists, and business and community leaders. We have worked ceaselessly to raise awareness and build capacity to ensure every K-8 student in Duval County receives access to a high-quality arts education. Learn more at capkids.org/agcjax.

The Museum of Science & History (MOSH) inspires the joy of lifelong learning by bringing to life the sciences and regional history. MOSH is an ideas lab that nurtures innovation in the sciences, arts, and humanities. We create a dynamic platform for learning, helping to connect and build a global community. MOSH provides an interactive and engaging experience that ignites and fuels natural curiosity across all walks of life and generations. MOSH champions a culture of environmental and fiscal stewardship coupled with social responsibility. Learn more at <a href="http://themosh.org">http://themosh.org</a>.