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MEDIA ADVISORY

**Children from GoggleWorks' ASAP Program Celebrate
Accomplishments at Family Arts Night**

What:

The GoggleWorks After School Arts Program (ASAP) will celebrate the completion of the Fall Session with its "Family Arts Night." Families and students will join ASAP teachers and staff for an evening of presentations and performances followed by a reception.

Students from the theatre class, which has been provided through a partnership with the Yocum Institute for Arts Education, will demonstrate techniques they have learned in class as well as perform scenes students created together. Poetry class students will present live readings of their work and for many it will be their first time presenting their writing in front of a group. Student artwork as well as images taken during the session will be on display throughout the evening.

When:

Family Arts Night, Friday, Dec. 11, 2009, 5:30-7 p.m.

Where:

GoggleWorks Center for the Arts, 201 Washington St., Reading, Pa.
Room 238

Background:

Fall Session students have been attending ASAP since October 19. The session runs for eight weeks, 3:30-5:30 p.m. daily, and is for students of the Reading Area School District, ages 6-17. A variety of art disciplines are offered during ASAP. This session offered Poetry, Drawing and Painting, Ceramics, Glass Beads, Weaving, Wheel Throwing, "Explore GoggleWorks" (an exploration of all that GoggleWorks has to offer), Darkroom Photography, Illustration and Theatre.

ASAP has been in place at the GoggleWorks since 2006. Each session of ASAP enables the children to experience various techniques, medium and gain a fulfilling education in the arts while at the GoggleWorks. The GoggleWorks ASAP program is

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The GoggleWorks Center for the Arts is a community art and cultural resource center for Berks County and central and southeastern Pennsylvania, and is the largest, most comprehensive interactive arts center of its kind in the country. The GoggleWorks is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Free parking is available in the GoggleWorks parking lot.

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