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NEWS RELEASE

Dawson Elementary Students Explore the Body Walk Exhibit

(Columbus, GA)- An innovative new way to learn about the importance of good nutrition and physical fitness is coming to students at Dawson Elementary School! On Tuesday, November 25, 2008, the *Body Walk* exhibit will be on display at Dawson Elementary, 180 Northstar Drive, at 9:00 a.m. This exciting learning experience, provided by HealthMPowers of Atlanta, Georgia, is part of a Blue Cross Blue Shield of Georgia Foundation initiative. Students will explore the human body with the “Organ Wise Guys” as their guide.

The tour kicks off with students who walk through a giant ear and into the brain. Inside the brain, students experience “brain waves” as they learn how to take care of their brain. After the students leave the brain, they step into the exhibit’s larger-than-life mouth, are “swallowed” through the esophagus tunnel, and move into the stomach. From the stomach, the students travel through the small intestine where they are “absorbed” into the bloodstream. Then, they follow the path of the nutrients to the heart, lungs, bones, muscles, and skin stations. At each station, students receive knowledge and skills to help keep their organs healthy.

Students leave the body through a cut in the skin and proceed through the pathway to life. This final station recaps key concepts from each of the ten previous stations. Throughout the exhibit, students will learn how to apply HealthMPowers’ slogan, “Power of Choice.” At each of the Body Walk’s ten stations, a volunteer presenter engages the students in an activity focused on healthy choices.

For more information, e-mail communications@mcsdga.net or call Dawson Elementary School principal, Denise Perryman, (706) 683-8732.