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**JULIETTE FOWLER COMMUNITIES PARTNERS WITH BEZOS ACADEMY
TO OPEN A TUITION-FREE, FULL-DAY PRESCHOOL IN EAST DALLAS**
*With space for 60 children, Bezos Academy Dallas - Lakewood marks the sixth
Bezos Academy preschool announced in the Dallas area*

DALLAS, TEXAS – May 28, 2024—Juliette Fowler Communities (JFC), one of the oldest organizations in Dallas serving youth and elders, has partnered with Bezos Academy to open a tuition-free, Montessori-inspired year-round preschool on its campus.

Bezos Academy Dallas - Lakewood will feature three classrooms, a dedicated workspace for educators, and an outdoor play area. The program will have space for 60 children, ages 3–5.

"The mission of Bezos Academy aligns perfectly with Juliette Fowler Communities' mission of building trusting relationships with community members and families," said Nicole Gann, president and CEO, JFC. "Bringing a Bezos Academy preschool onto our campus alongside our intergenerational community is an ideal collaboration that will only strengthen our community through access, education, and service."

Bezos Academy covers operating expenses for its preschools at no cost to eligible families, providing everything the children need during the day, including meals and educational materials. The preschools' Montessori-inspired approach is designed to meet every child where they are, and to help them learn and grow at their own pace. The organization hires, trains, develops, and pays talented educators, and it provides everything that the children need during their day, including breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks. This marks the sixth Bezos Academy preschool announced in the Dallas area to date.

"Communities where seniors and preschoolers learn and live side by side offer natural opportunities for joy and laughter," said Mike George, president of Bezos Academy. "We're thrilled to be partnering with Juliette Fowler Communities to bring a tuition-free, full-day preschool to their campus."

Bezos Academy Dallas - Lakewood will be located at 1234 Abrams Road in Dallas. Families earning up to 400% of the federal poverty level (about \$125,000 per-year for a family of four) with children aged 3 or 4 are eligible to apply. Admissions preference is given to foster children and children experiencing homelessness. More information and an application to the lottery-based selection process will be posted at bezosacademy.org

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Juliette Fowler Communities is a Dallas-based nonprofit that fosters communities where people can find a sense of belonging and thrive together. Founded in 1892 by philanthropist Juliette Fowler to serve widows and orphans, the faith-centered organization has evolved to provide a community of support to seniors, youth, children, and those who love them. The organization's historic location on 21 acres in East Dallas is the city's oldest continuously operating intergenerational campus. It includes independent and assisted living, memory care, middle-income senior apartments, and affordable senior housing. As the only certified [I'm Still Here®](#) Center for Excellence in Dementia Care in North Texas, Fowler's program adapts experiences to an individual's cognitive abilities and strengths. The Ebby House residential program serves women, ages 18-24, at risk for homelessness, and the Youth Support Center serves children and families. Fowler is one of 34 organizations nationwide to receive the Intergenerational Program of Distinction designation from [Generations United](#). Visit fowlercommunities.org or call 214.827.0813.

Bezos Academy is a nonprofit organization that is building a network of fully funded tuition-free preschools. Our preschools offer year-round, full-day programming, five days a week, for children from low-income families, ages 3-5 years old. Bezos Academy also provides students with all necessary educational supplies and services to set each student up for success, including Montessori materials, books, arts and crafts, field trips, and meals. For more information, visit www.bezosacademy.org.