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Compass Charter Schools (CCS) Hosting Ice Cream Social to Celebrate National School Choice Week

THOUSAND OAKS — Compass Charter Schools (CCS) is excited to announce that it will host an ice cream social this Thursday, January 18, to commemorate National School Choice Week (January 21-27, 2018).

The event, which will begin at 12 pm in the courtyard of the Trinity Cristo Rey Lutheran Church in Santa Ana, will celebrate school choice with CCS' scholars, parents, and staff. Scholars will be able to share why school choice is important to them while wearing their school choice scarves and enjoying ice cream. The event is open to CCS scholars, parents, teachers, and staff; media may RSVP.

CCS is a virtual independent study charter school serving grades TK-12 with a scholar enrollment of over 1,000. In 2012, CCS began with a small team of educators in southern California committed to providing a safe, family-centered alternative to the traditional brick and mortar school for scholars throughout the state. While CCS has evolved over the years, the desire to provide excellent educational options has remained strong with our online and homeschool programs. Over the past five years, we have educated the highly gifted, the bullied, the athlete, the actor, the academically-challenged, the chronically ill, and many other scholars who sought a personalized educational experience outside traditional classroom walls.

"We are excited to celebrate our scholars, families and staff at our ice cream social during National School Choice Week," said J.J. Lewis CCS President & CEO. "CCS is proud to be a school of choice and offer scholars throughout California two quality academic programs to best meet their unique needs. We are truly looking forward to raising awareness and celebrating the importance of school choice during our ice cream social tomorrow."

Started in 2011, National School Choice Week is the world's largest annual education-related celebration. The goal of NSCW, which features participation from tens of thousands of schools and organizations, is to shine a positive spotlight on effective education options for children.

During National School Choice Week, schools across America celebrate the challenging, motivating, and effective education they provide to students. At the same time, parents use the week to learn more about the education options available to their children, in advance of the upcoming school year.

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About Compass Charter Schools

Compass Charter Schools (CCS) is a WASC-accredited virtual public charter school serving thousands of scholars throughout the state. Catering to TK-12 grade scholars, CCS offers the choice of either their home school or online academic program. CCS is committed to creating a collaborative virtual learning

community, inspiring scholars to appreciate the ways in which arts and sciences nurture a curiosity for lifelong learning, and preparing scholars to take responsibility for their future successes.

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