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### **KRISTIN AIKEN NAMED PRESIDENT/CEO OF ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMY**

**LAKELAND, FL (April 28, 2021)** - The Achievement Academy Board of Directors is pleased to announce Kristin Aiken as the organization's new President/CEO as of May 3, 2021.

Aiken, who lives in Lakeland, FL, has been working as Sales and Marketing Manager of Dura-Cast Products in Lake Wales, FL. Previously, she served for nine years as the Director of Development and Communications for All Saints Academy. Prior employers include United Way of Central Florida and the Lakeland Area Chamber of Commerce.

Raised in Lakeland, Aiken's distinguished career includes holding management positions in corporate and not-for-profit organizations, specializing in marketing, development, and community relations. Active in the community, her volunteer posts include positions with KidsPACK, Lakeland Optimists Club, Bonnet Springs Park, and the Women's Leadership Council at United Way of Central Florida.

Aiken said, "It is an honor to have the opportunity to work on behalf of the Achievement Academy's faculty, staff, and families. I look forward to helping advance the mission and vision within our community."

"I am excited to have Kristin join the organization and look forward to her tenacity and energy to complement the already tremendous team we have in place," stated Luke Markham, Chairman of the Academy's Board of Directors.



#### **About the Achievement Academy**

*The Achievement Academy serves children from birth through age five with various developmental delays and disabilities. The Achievement Academy offers two programs, each provided at no cost to the child or family. The first program is a **Charter School** that offers specialized instruction by certified teachers; small class sizes; individual speech, occupational and physical therapies; and assistive technologies that enable each student to reach his or her full potential at one of the Achievement Academy's three campus locations (Lakeland, Winter Haven and Bartow). The second is a **Birth to Three Program** that provides early intervention services to infants and toddlers who are "at-risk" for developmental delays and/or have been identified with a specific delay. Professional Early Interventionists serve these children and their families.*