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**Celebrate Our Differences: Working Together to Share Awareness & Acceptance**



Dallas, TX - Children's Craniofacial Association celebrates its 21st Annual Craniofacial Acceptance Month this year. We are especially proud to Celebrate our Differences, which make us all unique.

To commemorate 36 years of service, we chose the theme "Celebrate our Differences." Our resilient community makes the work we do possible. They are the leaders of the facial difference acceptance movement.

The landscape of Craniofacial advocates and activists has exponentially grown over the years. Organizations and communities are working together to push for awareness, acceptance, and inclusion for the facial difference community. From advocating for needed legal protections, like ELSA (Ensuring Lasting Smiles Act), to hosting podcasts interviewing people from all walks of life, to insisting medical professionals with facial differences be respected for their lived experience: we realize that together, we create impact. ***Each individual is sharing their own perspective that informs the work: we are celebrating our diversity.*** Together, we create representation for the younger generation on what life can be when we share ideas, resources, and truth among ourselves. Together, we project acceptance to the public at large.

You can help us share our amazing stories, too! We ask you to designate a segment on your local radio or television news program for a story about a local child or adult with a facial difference or craniofacial condition. We can help connect you with an advocate near you to talk about personal and public issues related to living with a facial difference.

For more information or to connect with a local advocate, please contact us at [ContactCCA@ccakids.com](mailto:ContactCCA@ccakids.com) or call 214-570-9099.

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Children's Craniofacial Association, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Dallas, Texas and founded in 1989, serves over 20,000 families per year and an additional 5,000 unaffected students in schools across the country. CCA's mission is to support and inspire individuals and families affected by facial differences. CCA envisions a world where all people are accepted for who they are, not how they look. To request free educational curriculum and additional resources, or to make a tax deductible donation, visit <http://www.ccakids.org>.