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February 5, 2011 -- Oklahoma City, Oklahoma – February is “Give Kids A Smile” month nationwide. Grand Dental Studio in Oklahoma City and Grand Dental El Reno are providing educational resources to parents to encourage healthy habits for their children.

“We are encouraging parents to be aware of their children’s dental health and how important it is to their overall development”, said Dr. Michael Kirk. “Truly preventive dentistry is our core mission every day. We believe in educating people how to take care of themselves and addressing dental concerns before they become an emergency.”

Tooth decay affects more than 25 percent of U.S. children 2 to 5 years old and 50 percent of U.S. children 12 to 15 years old, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. There are simple steps that every family can take to educate their children and themselves.

Through a variety of online resources, the American Dental Association helps keep dental professionals up-to-date. Some of the basics for parents include making sure their children brush twice daily with fluoride toothpaste, floss daily, decrease sugar in take, and eat a balanced meals.

ABOUT GRAND DENTAL:

Grand Dental provides [general](#), [cosmetic](#), and implant dental care for the entire family. [Michael Kirk DDS](#), [Janice Henry DDS](#), and Nathan Proud DDS are the dentists with Grand Dental Studio and Grand Dental El Reno. Both offices are open Monday through Friday with several appointment times that are outside of normal business hours to meet busy families’ needs. Contact Oklahoma City at (405) 848-3719. Contact El Reno at (405) 262-6737. All patients receive a **First Free Visit** at Grand Dental. This includes an exam with the doctor and x-rays.