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## **Tennis is Thriving at Clearview Early Childhood Center**

Charlottesville, Virginia (4/25/2017) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is pleased to report the BrightSTARS program at Clearview Early Childhood Center in Martinsville is thriving under the leadership of Amy Clemons and her team of teachers and paraprofessionals. These preschoolers are having FUN learning the FUNdamentals of tennis and some basic gardening. QuickStart smiles are the best smiles!





Clemons says, "We want to thank Lynda Harrill and QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia for the wonderful grants for tennis equipment and a school garden. Our PreK students loved learning tennis and planting our new Grow Veggies for QuickStart! "tennis garden!" We've had a very busy month thanks to QuickStart!"





Lynda Harrill, QCV's QuickStart Coordinator, adds, "Growing tennis is a lot like gardening. We plants the seeds, give people the tools and help them establish tennis programs in their local communities. In addition, both tennis and gardening are lifetime pursuits and both require a nurturing environment and some determination. We hope to start many more BrightSTARS programs at other schools. Clearview is a great role model for others."

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QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia is an all-volunteer, grassroots Community Tennis Association established in 2009 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization to promote, develop and grow QuickStart Tennis in the heart of Virginia for all beginners, especially underserved youth, using the kid-sized QuickStart Tennis format.

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