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Culpeper Sport & Racquet Reaches Out into the Community

Charlottesville, Virginia (10/27/2015) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia ([QCV](#)) is pleased to report George Christoforatos, Head Tennis Professional at Culpeper Sport & Racquet Club, has started a community outreach program to reinforce tennis in Culpeper County schools. Christoforatos, Randy Smith and Dan Myers recently spent a day in PE classes at Yowell Elementary School, reaching more than 600 kids. Christoforatos says he will be expanding outreach efforts to include all elementary schools in Culpeper County as well as schools in Madison and Orange counties.



Yowell Elementary PE teacher Jennifer Houck says, “The tennis day was great!! The students got really excited when they saw the nets. They all followed directions well and really enjoyed the day. There are a few skills that the students are still talking about: the Stop Sign, Scratching their Back and Walking the Dog. I

do a sports club after school two days a week and have about 140 kids. When I told them next week we are starting tennis, they got really excited!”

QCV QuickStart Coordinator Lynda Harrill adds, “We trained and equipped the Culpeper schools five years ago. A few years later, George joined Culpeper Sport & Racquet. He has established a vibrant QuickStart program at the club and is now reaching out to the public schools. This is exactly how we envisioned our Jump Start QuickStart Tennis Initiative would work. We wish we had resources like George and Culpeper Sport & Racquet in all our counties. We look forward to seeing him continue his good works.”

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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