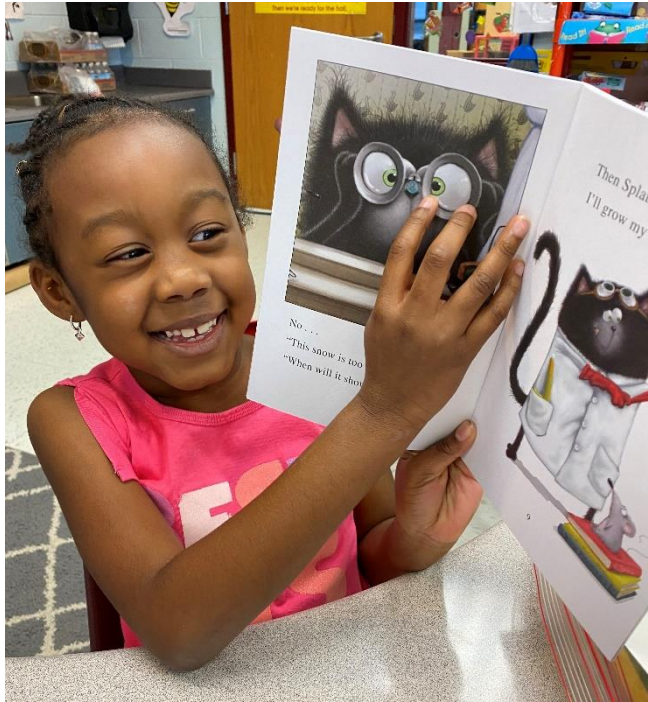
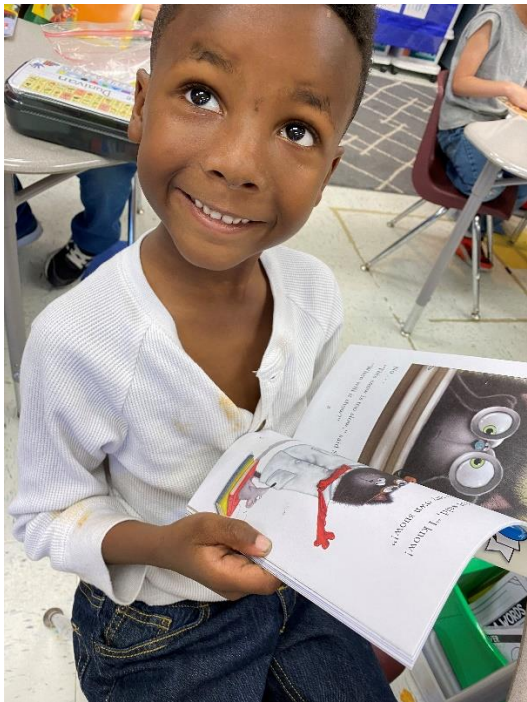




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## 76 Kindergartners at Cumberland Elementary Receive Books

Charlottesville, Virginia (5/16/2022) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is so pleased to report the 76 kindergartners at Cumberland County Elementary School in Cumberland County have each received seven books plus some FUN giveaways. This [Racquets for Reading!!!](#) giveaway was funded by a contribution from Colonial Pipeline.



Rita Saunders, Kindergarten Lead Teacher at Cumberland Elementary, says, “The kindergarten team at Cumberland County Elementary School (Rita Saunders, Melissa Brandt, Laurie Shelton and Courtney Park) would like to thank you for the generous gift to add books to our kindergarten student's home libraries. These students have worked so hard all year to learn to read. To put books in their hands, that they can keep, has excited them beyond words!

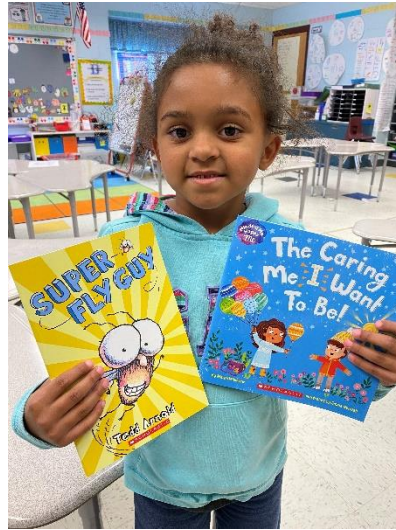
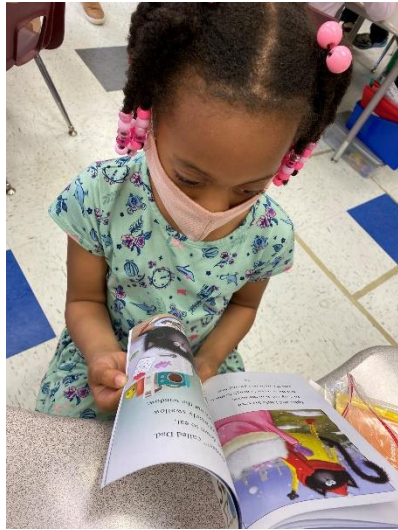
“We were able to purchase seven books, nonfiction and fiction, for 76 kindergarten students. These books teach about kindness, rhyming and some fun facts on sharks and bees. Best of all they are familiar with some of the authors and the books have some of their favorite heart words for students to read.

“We sent home two books in March, two in April and are sending home three books in May before students leave for summer break.

“The families are very appreciative of this gift of reading to their children.”

Lynda Harrill, QCV QuickStart Coordinator, adds, “Many of these kids received books as preschoolers last year, so their ‘home libraries’ continue to grow. From the smiles on their faces, you can tell books bring a lot of joy to these kids. Working with the teachers and

administration at Cumberland County Elementary brings me a lot of joy. Partnering with them is both FUN and fulfilling.”



Please visit our [website](#) to learn more about what QCV is doing to promote physical activity, healthy eating and early childhood literacy for kids in our service area.

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Play tennis! Read books! Eat healthy! Have FUN!!!  
Be a QuickStart kid!*

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