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Preschoolers at Carver Elementary Receive First Books

Charlottesville, Virginia (10/11/2022) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is pleased to report 44 preschoolers at G.W. Carver Elementary in Henry County have received their first books from Racquets for Reading!!! and have 10 more books to go. This giveaway was made possible by a grant from the Harvest Youth Board.



Angela Shelburne, preschool teacher, says, "I would like to thank you for your generous donation! We were able to order 11 books for 44 students! My class loved reading *1 Leaf 2 Leaves*, *Count with Me!* After reading the book we went outside on the first day of Fall to see if we could find any leaves that had changed color. To everyone's surprise there were plenty of leaves of various fall colors and we even had a few gusts of wind that made it rain leaves while everyone tried catching them. The next book students will take home at the end of this month is *Vampoodle* just in time for Halloween! We'll send more pictures soon! Thank you again!"

QCV's QuickStart Coordinator Lynda Harrill adds, "Angela's email put a HUGE smile on my face and made me wish every preschooler could have a teacher just like her. We are so grateful for the Harvest Youth Board grant that made this books giveaway for Henry County preschoolers possible. Look at those faces in the photos. The impact of Racquets for Reading!!! is immediate. We are so fortunate to have community partners like these."

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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. QCV's service area includes, Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, Campbell, Charlotte, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fluvanna, Franklin, Greene, Greensville, Halifax, Henry, Louisa, Lunenburg, Madison, Mecklenburg, Nelson, Nottoway, Orange, Patrick Pittsylvania, Prince Edward, Powhatan and Rappahannock counties and the cities of Charlottesville, Danville and Martinsville, plus under a special arrangement, King George County. We currently serve 214 schools with 101,000 kids, 15 parks & recreation departments, three Boys & Girls Clubs and two YMCAs, in 31 Virginia counties and independent cities. We have also gotten tennis into PE classes in 37 additional schools with 16,000 students in Virginia communities outside our service area.

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