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## Meherrin-Powellton Elementary Preschoolers Receive Books

Charlottesville, Virginia (6/9/2021) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is happy to report that the 25 preschoolers at Meherrin-Powellton Elementary School in Brunswick County have received [Racquets for Reading!!!](#) books to keep as well as Go Bananas! cards and FUN giveaways.



School Principal Latonia Hutcheson, says in a recent email, “Here are the pictures of some of our PreK students with their books and gifts. PreK has only a small number of in-person students, so we photographed them. They were so excited to get seven books each! They also loved the ducks! We hope you love our pictures as they are sent with a huge and sincere thank you for your generous gifts! ❤️”

Lynda Harrill, QCV QuickStart Coordinator, adds, “I vividly remember the School Tennis training session we held in Brunswick County back in 2011. UVA basketball standout Bryant Stith was the High School Athletic Director at the time and actively participated in the session. The USTA instructor could hardly teach for watching Bryant with a racquet. He was in awe of the basketball legend and all the championship banners in the gym. After the training session, we were treated to a fried chicken lunch. That was a memorable occasion, but getting books into the hands of these preschoolers has been more impactful

for me. Principal Hutcheson is awesome -- completely engaged with her students and so appreciative. She's exactly the kind of person who makes you want to do more for them. She's a great partner! We look forward to hearing about the developing reading skills of these preschoolers."



Please visit our [website](#) to learn more about what QCV is doing to promote physical activity, healthy eating and early childhood literacy for preschoolers and kindergartners through our [Racquets for Reading!!!](#) initiative during COVID. More than 2,400 kids reached with more than 20,000 books!!!

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

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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 Albemarle, Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, Charlotte, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fluvanna, Franklin, Greene, Greenville, 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 212 schools with 99,000 kids, 15 parks & recreation departments, three Boys & Girls Clubs and two YMCAs in 27 counties and three independent cities. We have also gotten tennis into PE classes in 37 additional schools with 16,000 students in communities outside our service area.

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