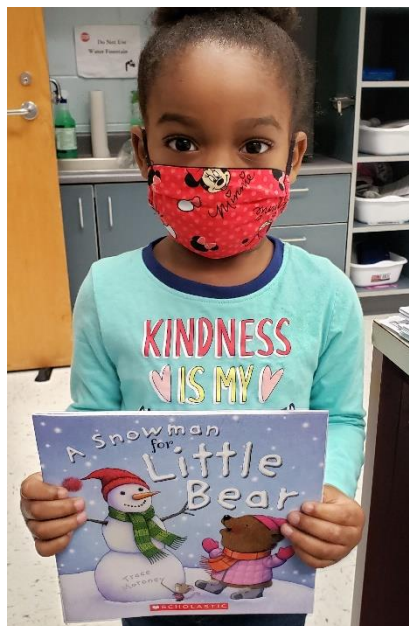
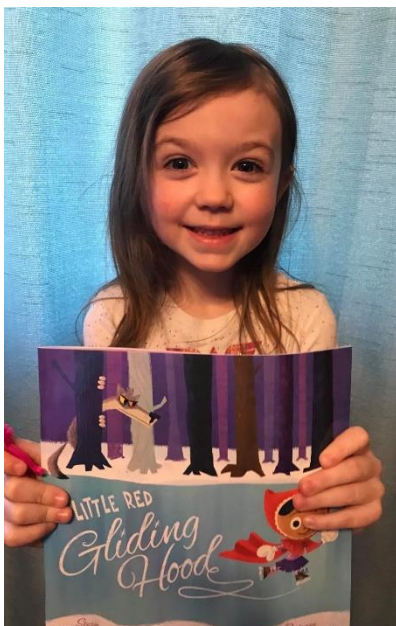
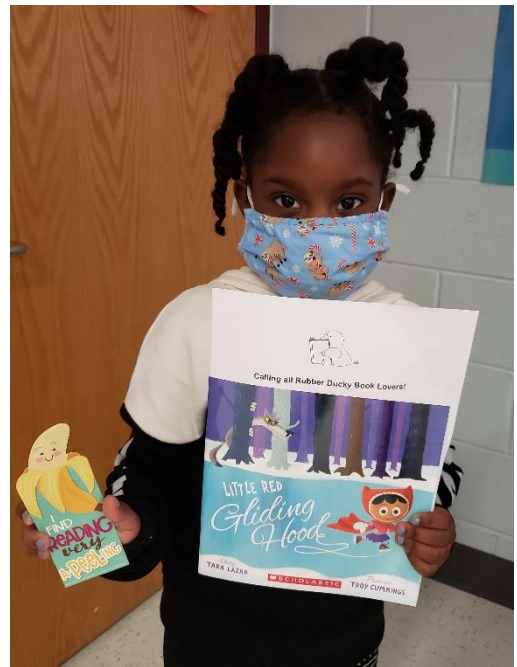
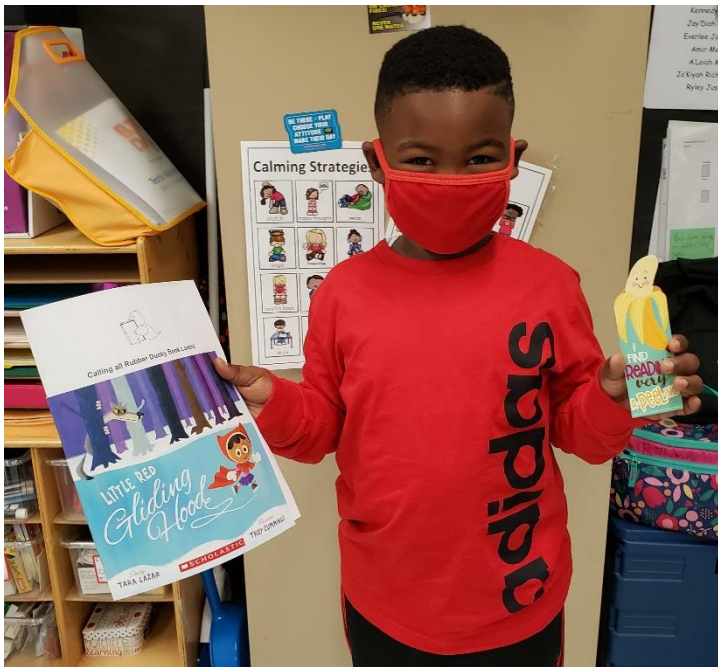




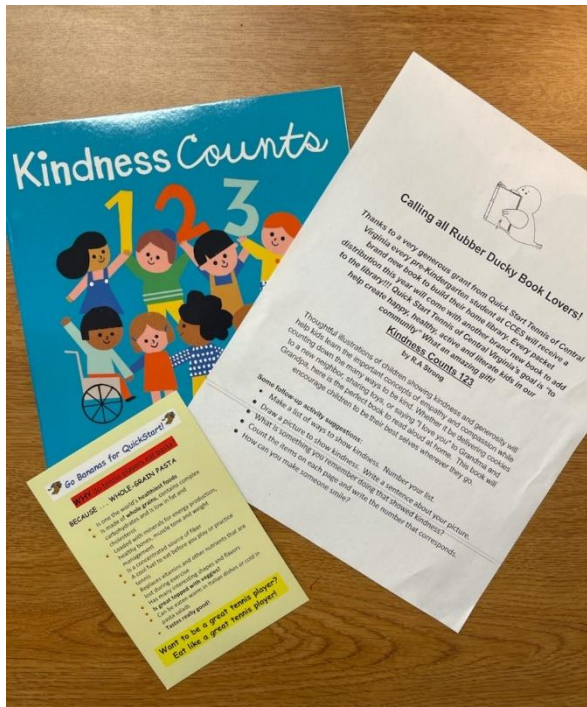
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QuickStart Tennis Book Grant Puts Smiles on Faces

Charlottesville, Virginia (3/8/2021) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is thrilled to share photos of smiling faces (even masks can't hide) of preschoolers at Cumberland County Elementary School where our Scholastic Book Club grant is having a BIG impact on these preschoolers.



Kathy McCutcheon of Cumberland Elementary says, "I just have to share these pictures with you because they are due to your generosity. QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia has made such a major impact on our children's lives. The pre-kindergarten kids in Cumberland now have a great start to their home libraries. So far, they have received: *A Snowman for Little Bear* by Trace Moroney, *Little Red Gliding Hood* by Tara Lazar and *The Very Busy Spider* by Eric Carle. Every book brings smiles that can be seen even with



a mask on! Our virtual kids also had a chance to show off their new book to the class. We include a letter with each brand-new book that has some great ideas for extending the reading experience to include math, fine motor and some higher-level thinking questions. The next book on deck is *Kindness Counts 123* by R.A. Strong.

“What makes me the most happy is that so many of these kids have younger siblings and young cousins who will, or are, having the opportunity to experience the love of reading through these books. The benefits of your

donation are incredibly far-reaching!”

Please visit our website to learn more about what QCV is doing to promote physical activity, healthy eating and early childhood literacy for preschoolers through BrightSTARS – Tennis for Me! and our [Racquets for Reading!!!](#) initiative.

*Want to be a great adult?
Play tennis! Read books! Eat healthy! Have FUN!!!
Be a QuickStart kid!*

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, 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 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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