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CCPS Celebrates Bus Drivers During National School Bus Safety Week

JONESBORO - Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is honored to celebrate National School Bus Safety Week by recognizing the outstanding contributions of our dedicated transportation staff. National School Bus Safety Week is held annually in October as an active activity to share the importance of school bus safety.

Throughout the week (October 16 - October 20, 2023) the Department of Transportation has hosted a variety of events to express appreciation to the staff for their work in ensuring scholars are transported safely each and every day. As a culminating event in the Department of Transportation, led by Ms. Denise Hall - Executive Director of Transportation, hosted a tailgate-themed staff appreciation event that featured a variety of contests and prize-winning opportunities for all transportation staff. Notable competitions included a chili cookoff, the best theme, and the best overall participation in select areas.

Additionally, attendees were treated to outstanding performances by the Mighty Marching Cardinal Marching Band of Jonesboro High School, who were surprised to hear via bullhorn from Superintendent/CEO of Schools, Dr. Anthony W. Smith, that he was able to secure a donation in the amount of \$25,000 from the Clayton County Public Schools Foundation to assist the band with expenses related to their upcoming performance at the 2024 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

"We certainly appreciate the work and the dedication of our outstanding transportation staff as they are the first representatives of our district that our parents and scholars see daily," said Dr. Smith. Their commitment to ensuring our students arrive and depart safely and on time daily is unmatched, and we thank them for their service," he added.

As a special expression of gratitude, various district-level and school-based employees and students have provided the following messages of appreciation for our terrific transportation team. **Bus Driver Appreciation Video:** <https://youtu.be/c5G6dveO1xs>

To view images and video footage of this outstanding appreciation event to celebrate CCPS transportation staff, visit:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ve739wxq1VKXZwSZOITAFu50HI_7rkv?usp=sharing

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About Clayton County Public Schools: Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by Cognia. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 50,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the sixth-largest school system in Georgia.

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