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### CBS 46 Hosts Books to Kids Book Giveaway at King Elementary School

(State Superintendent of Schools, Richard Woods Reads to Students)

State Superintendent of Schools, Richards Woods, along with Superintendent of Clayton County Public Schools, Dr. Morcease J. Beasley, visited CCPS's Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary School today, September 26, as CBS 46 donated backpacks filled with books to students as part of the CBS 46 Cares Books to Kids book giveaway!

CBS 46 has teamed up with The Georgia Department of Education, Page Turners Make Great Learners Organization and others to ensure that books are given to children in need and literacy is locally supported to help all students succeed.

"Literacy is very important and it is imperative that our students develop a love for books and reading early in the education process," stated CCPS Superintendent, Dr. Beasley. "It is a great honor to have State Superintendent Woods visit our school district in support of this outstanding initiative. Our students and I would like to thank CBS 46 for providing the scholars of King Elementary with this great gift."

In addition to receiving books to start their own personal libraries, the students of King Elementary were also treated to book readings from State Superintendent Woods as well as CBS 46 anchors Tracye Hutchins and Amanda Davis!

Other attendees include: Valencia Seay (Georgia Senator), Valencia Stovall (State Representative - District 74), Jessie Goree (CCPS Board Member – District 3), Dr. Anthony Smith (CCPS Deputy Superintendent), Dr. Ralph Simpson (CCPS Deputy Superintendent of School Improvement), Wendell Spiva (CCPS Chief of Engagement, Governmental Relations, and Partnerships), Charmine Johnson (CCPS Assistant Superintendent), Dr. Carl Jackson (Principal of King Elementary), Jeff Holub (CBS 46 Creative Services Director), Sharon Reed (CBS 46 Anchor) as well as Astrid Martinez (CBS 46 Reporter) and Vince Sims (CBS 46 Reporter).

#### **About Clayton County Public Schools**

Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited through AdvancED – Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement. The district offers a focused world class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through

12th grade. Serving over 54,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S., and is the fifth largest school system in Georgia.