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More than 500 pairs of shoes provided to students at Dunston Elementary

Matilda F. Dunston
Elementary School

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North Charleston, SC – The media center at Matilda F. Dunston Elementary School was full of smiles, clapping, and cheering from students, staff members, volunteers, and shoes on Thursday, January 18, 2024. The non-profit organization Samaritan Feet facilitated the donation of sneakers to every single student at the school.

Students from each class and grade lined up at entry at of the media center and walked in to meet volunteers from Southeastern Freight Lines (the company that sponsored the event) who then sized the students' feet and placed socks and shoes on them. When the process was complete, more than 500 scholars had received new pairs of sneakers.

"The Dunston family is so thankful for Mrs. Regan, our Communities in Schools Site Coordinator, and for all of the people who made this possible," said Principal Stephanie Mitchell. "Our students are so excited; we loved seeing their faces as they got their new shoes. We are thrilled to partner with both Samaritan Feet and Southeastern Freight Lines for this opportunity to enhance the lives of our children."

Samaritan Feet, based in Charlotte, NC, has a mission to serve and inspire hope in children by providing shoes as the foundation for a spiritual and healthy life to advance education and economic opportunities.

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Charleston County School District (CCSD) is a nationally accredited school district committed to providing equitable and quality educational opportunities for all its students. CCSD is the second-largest school system in South Carolina and represents a unique blend of urban, suburban, and rural schools spanning 1,300 square miles along the coast. CCSD serves approximately 50,000 students in 88 schools and specialized programs.

CCSD offers a diverse portfolio of educational options and specialized programs delivered to the students of CCSD through neighborhood, magnet, IB (international baccalaureate), Montessori, and charter schools and programs. Rich educational opportunities for students include programs in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); music and other creative and performing arts; career and technical preparation programs; military; dual credit; and many more.