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Students Host 12th Annual Wrap Up and Read Event

EDMONTON, Ky. (December 11, 2025) – Christmas arrived early for nearly 100 kindergarten students at Metcalfe County Elementary School.

Each year, members of the Helping Hornets from Metcalfe County High School adopt each kindergarten student to help them have a memorable Christmas experience. This year's "Wrap Up and Read" program was held on December 9 in the Old School Gym.

The high school students gifted the kindergarten students with books, toys, and handmade blankets. Then they read the books and played with the toys together, enjoying the warmth of the blankets. The program concluded with a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus.

"We are truly blessed to have so many high school students willing to bring the Christmas spirit to those younger than them," Helping Hornets sponsor Kelly Shaw said. "Students spend months making all of the blankets by hand and purchasing gifts for their 'adopted' kindergartener."

Helping Hornets is a club at MCHS that provides a variety of services to other students, schools, and the community throughout the year.

"We couldn't provide the 'Wrap Up and Read' program without the support from our district, FRYSC staff, and volunteers. We would like to personally thank Ms. Marilyn Perkins for driving to Alabama every year to pick up our fleece," Shaw said.

This is the 12th year for the "Wrap Up and Read" program.

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About Metcalfe County Schools

The mission of Metcalfe County Schools is to foster true, long-lasting, deeper LEARNING in the SAFEST possible environment resulting in a first-class STUDENT EXPERIENCE. Our vision is to offer options and opportunities for the success of all Metcalfe County students. Visit www.metcalfeschools.com to learn more, or follow us @MetcalfSchools on Facebook, X, and Instagram. #MetcalfHornetsEver