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Chicora Elementary Appreciates Financial Support from Community Partners

Chicora Elementary School

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North Charleston, SC – To get a glimpse of what community looks like, one can visit Chicora Elementary School and learn about the help they receive from multiple organizations. An example of that generosity was visible at the school Thursday, February 7, 2019 during a check presentation by the Chicora-Cherokee Neighborhood Association (CCNA).

Representatives from CCNA, the Lowcountry Alliance for Model Communities (LAMC), and the North Charleston Police Department (including Chief Reggie Burress) were there for a brief ceremony as Chicora Elementary received \$1,500 for student uniforms and Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports initiatives.

“We are so thankful for the partnership that we have formed with the Chicora-Cherokee Neighborhood Association,” said Principal Lara Latto. “It really means a lot to us to have the support of our community and we know that together we will be able to bring about life-changing opportunities for our students here at Chicora.”

Principal Latto added she anticipates some of the new school uniforms will be purchased by the end of February.

LAMC is actually providing a grant to the Chicora-Cherokee Neighborhood Association and in turn, CCNA is using part of the grant to support students and families of Chicora.

“The Chicora-Cherokee Neighborhood Association is so grateful for the strong community partnerships we have established with our schools, residents, NCPD, and LAMC,” added CCNA Secretary Ann Curtis. “We are excited to work together for a better and more inclusive Chicora.”

For information about this donation, contact Principal Lara Latto at (843) 746-2210 or Ann Curtis with the Chicora-Cherokee Neighborhood Association at (843) 879-1057.

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