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## **BayPort Credit Union Donates \$25,000 and 100 Pounds of School Supplies to Support Newport News Public Schools**

**NEWPORT NEWS, Va., September 1, 2026** – BayPort Credit Union is continuing its commitment to Newport News Public Schools with a \$25,000 sponsorship supporting the Office of Youth Development, Family and Community Engagement (FACE) for the 2026–2027 academic year. The sponsorship will support programs and initiatives designed to empower students, strengthen families, and promote the overall well-being of the Newport News community.

BayPort Executive Vice President and Chief Operations Officer Jennifer Coyne and Chief Member Experience Officer Ira Williams presented the \$25,000 check to Newport News Public Schools Chief Academic Officer Dr. Kipp Rogers on the field at Harbor Park. As part of the August 19 School Supply Drive Night festivities, Dr. Rogers also took the field to throw out the ceremonial first pitch. The BayPort Foundation and the Norfolk Tides collected 100 pounds of school supplies from fans during the event to benefit Newport News Public Schools students and families.

As part of the FACE sponsorship, BayPort will continue its support of the division's Family Empowerment Series, a quarterly program designed to address critical issues affecting families. Now in its third year, BayPort's sponsorship will include financial education sessions for parents and caregivers, providing families with practical tools and resources to strengthen their financial well-being. BayPort will also sponsor two youth empowerment conferences during the academic year. In addition, the credit union will support student-led initiatives that promote positive culture in schools and communities while encouraging the social, emotional and physical well-being of students.

"BayPort is proud to continue our partnership with Newport News Public Schools and invest in programs that empower students and families," said Jim Mears, President and CEO of BayPort. "We are grateful for the opportunity to continue working alongside Newport News Public Schools to make a meaningful difference in the community we have proudly served for nearly a century."

"Newport News Public Schools is very appreciative of our partnership with BayPort Credit Union. Their investment helps us to create meaningful opportunities that reach far beyond the classroom – empowering students, engaging families, and strengthening our community. We are grateful for the partnership and commitment to the success of Newport News students and families," said Dr. Kipp Rogers, Chief Academic Officer of Newport News Public Schools.

Through its support of FACE initiatives, BayPort is helping connect students and families with resources and opportunities that promote success in the classroom, at home and throughout the community.

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### **About BayPort**

Founded in 1928 by 12 shipyard workers from Newport News Shipbuilding, BayPort Credit Union was built on the belief that everyone deserves access to trusted financial services. Today, BayPort is a Bauer Financial 5-Star Superior-rated credit union with \$2.7 billion in assets, serving more than 156,000 individuals and businesses through 31 branch locations across Virginia. BayPort membership is open to community residents, their families, and individuals nationwide through qualifying organizations.