

Capitol County Children's Collaborative Helps the Trenton Public Schools Fight Chronic Absenteeism

Capitol County Children's Collaborative proudly sponsored the Rainbow Drive to break down barriers that lead to chronic absenteeism! We support Trenton Public Schools' efforts to reduce chronic absenteeism within the district.



Did you know that youth who regularly attend school have a higher chance of succeeding in their academic career?

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The goal of this event was to provide resources and services that will support students in their ability to attend school daily and on-time. We had over 300 youth & families attend the event and thanks to the 30 community partners who participated we distributed 1000 ponchos, 400 umbrellas, 100 rain boots, 1000 toiletry kits, 200 laundry detergents/softeners, 300 bus tickets and much more. Through donations to the district, \$14,500 was collected to assist in purchasing some of the items for this event as well as future items including school uniforms, rain/winter jackets and other necessary items! Along with all the community providers that attended this event there were 20 TCNJ volunteers, 40 Aramark volunteers and 25 representatives from the Trenton Public School District which included custodians and security guards. Thanks to the assistance of the Department of Education's Civic & Social Engagement Department we connected with Westside High School at Newark Public Schools where Principal Cook graciously donated laundry detergent and various toiletry items.

