



Hancock County Early Head Start/Head Start/Pre-K Annual Walk-A-Thon



On November 18, 2016, Hancock County Early Head Start/ Head Start & Pre-K hosted their annual Walk-A- Thon at Elmer J. Warren Stadium. The event began at 11:00 a.m. and ended approximately at 1:00 p.m. Parents, community members, district employees and many more gathered to participate in the walk. Head Start staff and parent volunteers signed up the Walk-A-Thon and each participant was given an official number. Numbers were placed on strollers, parents, backpacks and some were place on the student's backs. The starting line formed as walkers laced their shoes and got their children strapped in their strollers and wagons for the great walk.

The walk started and the volunteers began their journey. Some started with a slow pace while others started with a more rapid speed. Water was given as parents and students walked around to the recording table during each lap. Our special guest DJ Earthquake of LOVE 103.7 FM radio entertained the crowd with hip-hop walking music. He kept the crowd amused and moving with the latest hits and kid's music. During the final lap, the walk became very interesting as the judges announced "LAST LAP." The crowd began to cheer and volunteers began to pick up the pace. As they journeyed near the recording table completing their FINAL lap, everyone waited patiently as they announced first, second and third place winners.

First Place: Tomeka McClendon (baby) Aviya Rocker

Second Place: Roderick Barnes, Kweli Foster and (student) Kohen Barnes

Third Place: Gladys Jones and (student) Deidric Jones

All winners received a gift card. They were very excited and were making plans on what they would purchase with their Hibbett Sports gift card. One winner stated, "I will be doing birthday and Christmas shopping with this card, and I thank the Head Start Program for hosting the event." ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL EVENT FOR EHS/HS/PRE-K.