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NEWTON COUNTY SCHOOLS COLLECTS FOOD FOR NEEDY

Newton County School System students and staff have once again stepped to the plate to help the local community by collecting food for those less fortunate. During the district's annual Can-A-Thon, over 10,000 cans of food were collected and will be distributed to the Food Pantry and the Salvation Army.

Several schools collected over 1,000 cans of food this year, and one school, Sharp Learning Center, collected 2,000 cans! Schools collecting over 1,000 cans include the following:

Ficquett Elementary School	1,700 cans
South Salem Elementary School	1,676 cans
Liberty Middle School	1,000 cans
Eastside High School	1,000 cans
Sharp Learning Center	2,000 cans

"We are proud of the students and employees who participated in the Can-A-Thon," said Newton County School Superintendent, Dr. Steve Whatley. "Our school district has always been very supportive of community needs. Even during these tough economic times, our students and employees have once again risen to the occasion and shown their generosity and community spirit by providing food items for the Salvation Army and the Food Pantry. To collect over 10,000 cans of food is a tremendous accomplishment."
