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Community Bank & Trust Champions Literacy and Local Educators with Back-to-School Support Initiative

**LaGrange**, **GA** - **July 29th**, **2025** — At Community Bank & Trust, we believe that investing in education is investing in the future of our community. This morning, our team had the honor of showing appreciation for the incredible educators at *Rosemont Elementary School* by delivering Chick-fil-A biscuits, coffee, and tea to help start their day with a smile—and a full stomach.

The initiative was spearheaded by Michael Cooley, IT Assistant at Community Bank & Trust, who saw an opportunity to directly uplift local educators as they prepare for a new school year.

"This wasn't just about breakfast or supplies—it was about showing up and showing we care," said Michael Cooley. "Our educators give so much of themselves. At Community Bank and Trust, we want them to know they're valued, supported, and not alone in the work they do for our children."

In addition to breakfast, Community Bank & Trust provided a plethora of essential school supplies, ensuring classrooms are stocked and teachers are supported as they begin a new academic year. It was a small token of gratitude for the big impact they make in the lives of our students every day.

"Our teachers give so much of themselves to ensure our children are equipped with the knowledge and tools they need to succeed," said Bill Stump, Director of Community Banking of Community Bank & Trust. "At CB&T, we're proud to go beyond banking by investing in the people who inspire, teach, and lead the next generation.

This initiative is part of Community Bank & Trust's broader commitment to literacy and education in LaGrange and beyond. Whether it's through supporting local schools, funding educational programs, or simply providing encouragement and resources, Community Bank & Trust is dedicated to being a true partner in progress.

"We are so grateful for community partners like Community Bank & Trust. Our teachers and staff work so hard to prepare for our students and knowing that our community supports and loves our staff means so much. Thank you to everyone at Community Bank & Trust for fueling us with breakfast and providing supplies for our Tiger Cubs!"

"To all the educators who give tirelessly of their time, talents, and hearts—thank you," added Bill Stump. "We see you, we appreciate you, and we're here to support you every step of the way."

For more information on Community Bank & Trust's community initiatives, please visit <a href="https://www.RedAppleBank.com">www.RedAppleBank.com</a>



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