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Mayor Jacobs Highlights KCS Teacher Supply Depot PTA

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs interviewed Amber Goins, of the Knox County School's Teacher Supply Depot PTA, finishing up his video series highlighting KCS support services. The Depot is a collection center for donated new classroom materials provided free of charge to teachers, their assistants, and other KCS personnel.

During the interview found here, Mayor Jacobs and Goins discuss the history of the depot and the role it provides Knox County teachers today.

"The Teacher Supply Depot has been around roughly 25 years. They started in the old Knoxville high school downtown, and it was an idea between Knox County Schools, the Knox Education Foundation and then became a PTA," said Goins.

The Depot has since moved and expanded, allowing for more donations to assist educators' out of pocket expenses, thus helping more students in the process.

"Our teachers need supplies year-round. All the items are free," said Goins. "That makes a huge difference, and we try to lessen that burden on them as well."

Mayor Jacobs and Goins further discussed various donation opportunities, and how events like Knox County's annual School Mania event which provides school supplies to area students, makes an actual impact in the classroom.

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