

## **FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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## Fulton County Sheriff's Office and The Boyce L. Ansley School Unite to Support Students Experiencing Homelessness

ATLANTA, GA – Sheriff Patrick "Pat" Labat and members of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office spent Valentine's Day spreading joy and encouragement to students at The Boyce L. Ansley School, a tuition-free, private school dedicated to educating children who have experienced or are currently experiencing homelessness. Sheriff Labat engaged with students and reinforced the importance of building positive connections between law enforcement and the community.

During the visit, Sheriff Labat distributed Valentine's Day treats and stuffed animals, bringing smiles to children who face extraordinary challenges. His presence underscored the Fulton County Sheriff's Office's commitment to community engagement and uplifting vulnerable youth.

"It is our responsibility to make sure every child, no matter their circumstances, feels seen, supported, and valued," said Sheriff Labat. "The Boyce L. Ansley School is doing incredible work to provide a solid educational foundation for students in some of the most vulnerable situations, and I am honored to stand alongside them in this mission."

The Boyce L. Ansley School is the only institution of its kind in the southeast providing comprehensive education and wrap-around support services to help children and their families break the cycle of generational poverty.

"This partnership with the Fulton County Sheriff's Office reminds our students that they have an entire community rooting for their success," said Johnny "Ray" James, Head of School at The Boyce L. Ansley School. "We appreciate Sheriff Labat and his team for their consistency and commitment to our kiddos and his dedication to ensuring they feel loved and empowered to succeed."

The Fulton County Sheriff's Office remains dedicated to community outreach initiatives that promote public safety, education, and positive youth engagement.

**ABOUT THE FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**: The mission of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office is Service; through laser-focused efforts to protect the citizens of Fulton County with coordinated law enforcement operations, special strategic teams, and community outreach methods. The Sheriff's Office is constitutionally responsible for the security of all courtrooms, executing arrest warrants, and serving civil papers. In addition, the Sheriff's Office is responsible for the administration and operation of the Fulton County Jail.