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UNITED SPACE ALLIANCE PROVIDES SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR LOCAL STUDENTS

KENNEDY SPACE CENTER, Fla. (July 26, 2006) -- In an effort to help local students start the school year with the necessary supplies, USA employees donated a variety of materials to the Brevard Schools Foundation for distribution to students enrolled in Florida's free lunch program.

"Returning to school with the necessary supplies is crucial for each student to start the year," said Bill Pickavance, Vice President and Deputy Program Manager, Florida Operations. "USA employees are committed to helping the students by providing needed school supplies so they have the opportunity to begin school on a positive note."

An abundant supply of backpacks, pens, pencils, paper, notebooks, crayons, glue, markers, rulers, erasers, scissors, folders, protractors, highlighters and more were collected in the annual USA School Supply Drive.

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“Every child deserves to be able to start school having the supplies and materials necessary to do their schoolwork,” said Lynn Clifton, Executive Director, Brevard Schools Foundation. “Here in Brevard County, there are more than 8,000 children on the free lunch list and the majority of those need help with their school supplies.”

The USA School Supply Drive is scheduled each year in July as one part of USA’s ongoing commitment to local community. In addition, the United Space Alliance Foundation contributed \$1,000 to the Brevard Schools Foundation specifically for school supplies.

“We depend heavily on our community partners such as United Space Alliance to help us get our students off to the right start,” said Clifton.

United Space Alliance is a space operations business offering products and services in space flight training, space hardware processing, launch and return operations and on-orbit operations. USA serves as NASA’s prime contractor for the Space Shuttle and employs more than 10,000 people in Texas, Florida, Alabama, Washington, D.C., and Russia.

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