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## **Cannon County High School HOSA and Health Science Sponsor Blood Drive**

*Woodbury, TN*– On September 7, 2023, the Cannon County High School HOSA- Future Health Care Professionals and the Health Science Department transformed the Health Science Lab into a Blood Donation Site for the American Red Cross. HOSA works with the ARC twice to three times yearly to participate in this much-needed public service event.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, “Someone in the United States needs blood every 2 seconds.” Each unit of blood that is collected can potentially save up to three lives. Students, former students, family and friends, faculty, and staff came together to donate 23 blood units, potentially saving up to 69 lives.

Two donors were “Power Red” donations. (Traven Lawson, Senior at CCHS, and Shane Hollandsworth, Assistant Principal. Three faculty/staff members of CCHS were recognized for achieving “milestone” status: Connie Lorange, Coach John Robinson, and Shane Hollandsworth.

Nine “First Time” donors participated in the blood drive. One of our first-time donors was Ms. Ashley Witty Brown (CCHS Cafeteria staff), who donated to honor her father, who was a multi-unit donor until he, himself, required blood transfusions related to treatment for cancer.

CCHS HOSA and Health Science will sponsor another blood drive in Spring 2024.



Ms. Connie Lorange was recognized for 78 units donated in 43 attempts



Coach John Robinson was recognized for exceeding 4 gallons of donated blood 34 separate donations



Mr. Shane Hollandsworth, Assistant Principal, was recognized for exceeding 3 gallons of donated blood in 21 separate donations

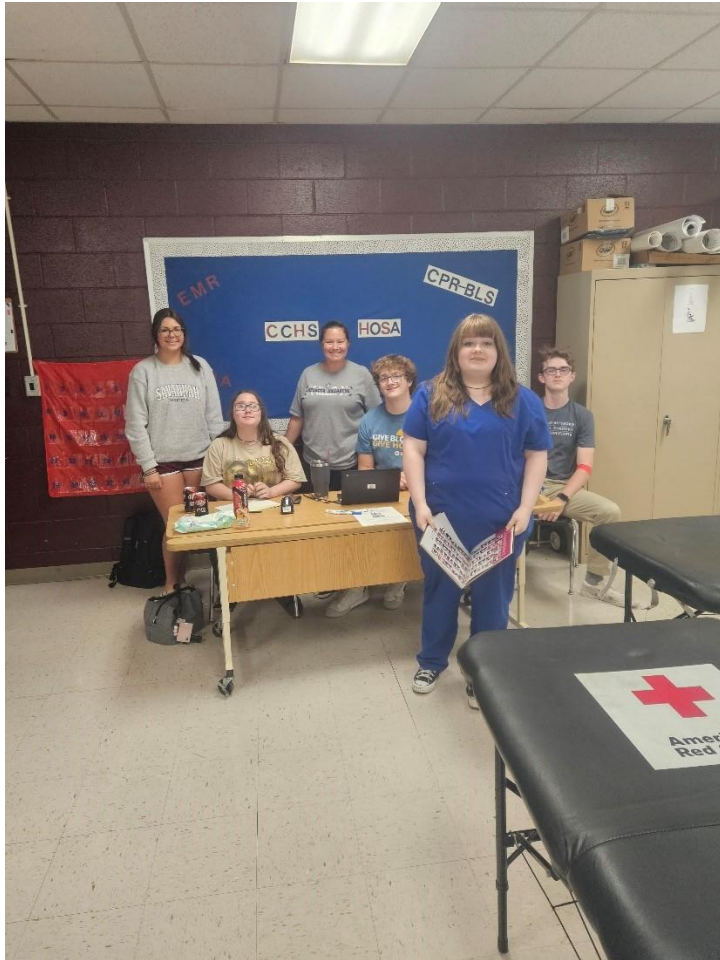


Ms. Ashley Witty Brown CCHS Cafeteria staff first time donor



Left to right:

Bailey Hedrick, Connie Lorange, Zoe Nichols, Traven Lawson, Madalyn Phillips



Left to right:

Madalyn Phillips, Brooklyn Porter, Ashley Witty Brown, Traven Lawson, Bailey Hedrick, Parker Matthews