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ARM BAND FRIDAY at the North Carolina Seafood Festival was Another Success!

Morehead City, NC- Friday's at the North Carolina Seafood Festival have always been full of fun and games, but for the third year, the schools got to be the winners! In 2017 the North Carolina Seafood Festival Board of Directors started a Friday Arm Band day that allowed amusement ride fans the opportunity to give back to their favorite Carteret County School.

This is the third year that the NC Seafood Festival has been able to provide this venue for a chance to give back to your favorite school with the purchase of your ticket. For every ticket the purchased a Carteret County School received \$5.00! This year the total amount awarded was \$5,615 to all the Carteret County Schools along with Gramercy Christian School, St. Egbert Catholic School and Tiller School of Carteret County.

The Volunteer Board of Directors worked tirelessly to bring the festival to fruition countering the impending circumstances with Covid and moving from week to week wondering if it was even going to occur. The entire year was difficult both financially and mentally, but everyone came out stronger in the end. The crowds were here, the weather was perfect for a festival and everyone was happy to be out and about again. "We were excited to produce the festival this year and being able to give back to our community was simply an added bonus" stated Chairperson Dale Gillikin.

Dr. Rob Jackson, Superintendent of the Carteret County Schools stated "I greatly appreciate the tremendous partnership and support our students and schools receive from the North Carolina Seafood Festival. Beyond the tremendous opportunity for food, fun, and fellowship that our community enjoys during the festival, the financial support meaningfully impacts our students and their learning. I am grateful for the many school and community volunteers who make the North Carolina Seafood Festival possible."

The North Carolina Seafood Festival is a not-for-profit organization in Carteret County whose vision is to promote the positive social and economic impact of the seafood industry. To learn more about the North Carolina Seafood Festival and stay updated on the 2022 festival, visit www.ncseafoodfestival.org.

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Photo Attached:

Back row: Ken Riley Chair Elect 2022, Dr. Rob Jackson Superintendent of Carteret County School System,
Clark Jenkins Chairperson of Carteret County School Board

Second Row: Kimberly Felix Principal of St. Egbert Catholic School, Kelly Riley Executive Director of Tiller
Charter School, Michael Turner NCSF Rides Co-Chairperson, Billy Taylor NCSF Rides Co-Chairperson,

Front Row: Dale Gillikin 2021 Chairperson

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