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Ravens Bring Pep Rally to Elementary School



On Friday (9/10), the Ravens sent cheerleaders, mascot Poe, staff and a drumline from Baltimore's Marching Ravens to Warren Elementary School (Cockeysville, Md.) to deliver a Purple Fridays pep rally.

Third, fourth and fifth grade students gathered in the school's cafeteria awaiting the arrival of the Ravens' caravan. Led in by the drumline, Ravens cheerleaders, Poe and staff distributed giveaways that included posters, mini-footballs and Ravens eye-black stickers. The pep rally included a performance by the Ravens cheerleaders (middle left), festive percussion by the drumline (below center) and plenty of cheers and chants.



Along with Ravens giveaways, each student received a raffle ticket for the chance to win a football autographed by Ravens LB Ray Lewis. After the raffle drawing, students had a second chance to win a Ray Lewis football through a Ray Lewis "intro dance" contest. After Poe demonstrated the dance (bottom right), several students gave it their best shot, adding in their own moves. The winning contestant received the Lewis football and posed for pictures with cheerleaders and Poe (bottom left).







Lewis Delivers School Supplies

For his annual back-to-school kickoff event, Ravens LB Ray Lewis visited Abbottston Elementary (Baltimore, Md.) on Tuesday (9/7) to donate backpacks filled with school supplies to 200 students that included visiting sixth-graders from the nearby Stadium School.

Through his charitable arm, the Ray Lewis Foundation, Lewis annually hosts several generous events in the Baltimore community including a Thanksgiving donation to Baltimore's needlest families and a Holiday Gift Marketplace where youth shop for gifts for themselves and loved ones.



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