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# SUPERINTENDENT'S PRESS RELEASE

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## First Annual GoGirlsGo 3K Event

**Forty-one girls** ranging in ages 6 to 14 participated in the first annual **GoGirlsGo 3K Event** on **June 17<sup>th</sup>** at **Warwick Elementary School**. The event was supported by **35 volunteers** who manned water stops, ran as “pacers”, cheered for the girls, and handed out finishing medals at the finish line. Volunteers included **parents** from the community, sports enthusiasts from **Cambridge MultiSports** and **Powerhouse Gym**, as well as students and employees from the **University of Maryland Horn Point Lab**. Each of the runners received a “goodie bag” donated by local **Eagleman Director, Gerry Boyle**. A keepsake picture was taken at the finish line to highlight the girls’ accomplishment. A celebratory race party topped off the afternoon, offering frozen yogurt, watermelon, oranges, cold drinks, candy, and upbeat music provided by **Jeannie Weitzel and Jazzercise of Cambridge**.

**Karri Todd**, organizer of the event, had hoped to have at least 20 girls participate in the event since it was scheduled on a Friday night after the close of school. Pleasantly surprised and pleased with the turnout of 41 runners, Ms. Todd, along with co-organizers **Kari Kephart and Joyce Wise**, called the event a huge success. GoGirlsGo promotes **healthy and active living** in school age children. The 3K marked the culmination of a five month program of various exercises led by certified instructors. Local support and partnership from **RPS International, Jazzercise, Powerhouse Gym, Powell Realtors, Oyster Mortgage, and Warwick Elementary School** were integral in the success of this endeavor.

