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Orrstown donation helps kids prepare for school

Orrstown Bank donated \$10,000 to the Shippensburg Area School District Foundation April 5 to support two programs that prepare local children for school.

The donation from Orrstown will be used to fund the "Ready, Set, Go!" and "Smooth Sailing" programs.

Ready, Set, Go! helps parents prepare their children for school through a series of workshops. The program is presented by teachers from Shippensburg Area School District along with Shippensburg University students studying to become teachers. Parents learn tips for helping their children with the skills they'll need in kindergarten like learning the sounds each letter makes and how to write the alphabet.

Smooth Sailing is a week-long program held each summer to boost the skills of local kindergarteners and firstgraders. The students practice skills that will help them when they return to the classroom including writing their names, practicing the alphabet, reading, and using technology like iPads and Kindles.

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Caption:

Orrstown Executive Vice President and Chief Trust Officer Philip Fague, far right, presents a \$10,000 donation to the Shippensburg Area School District Foundation to support programs that prepare local children for school.

Holding the check are Grace Hockenberry, teacher at Shippensburg Area School District (left) and Dr. Cheryl Slattery, associate professor of teacher education at Shippensburg University (right).

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