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Kasey Kahne honor teachers as part of the "Thank A Million Teachers" program

Kahne unveils special No. 5 Farmers Insurance "Thank A Million Teachers" Chevy SS paint scheme which will debut this weekend at Talladega Superspeedway

**Birmingham, Ala. (May 2, 2014)**— As part of the Farmers Insurance "Thank A Million Teachers" national program, Farmers and NASCAR driver Kasey Kahne visited Oxmoor Valley Elementary School today in Birmingham, Ala., to honor local fourthgrade teacher Mrs. Aulundria Grace with a heartfelt "Thank You" in front of hundreds of excited students.

During the visit, Farmers and Kahne unveiled the special Farmers Insurance "Thank A Million Teachers" paint scheme which will adorn Kahne's No. 5 Chevy SS for three races during the month of May, which is National Teacher Appreciation Month. Those races include: Talladega Superspeedway on May 4, Kansas Speedway on May 10 and Charlotte Motor Speedway on May 25. Also during Friday's visit, Farmers announced a donation to Oxmoor Valley Elementary of equipment to conduct experiments and hands on projects in a new science lab at the school.

"We are thrilled to have Kasey's support of the Farmers 'Thank A Million Teachers' initiative," said Randy Rice, National Manager of Education Programs for Farmers Insurance. "We understand that teachers play an integral role in helping children learn and grow smarter. That's why Farmers is excited to provide America with a platform to share their 'thanks' with educators and honor teachers with funding to continue doing what they do best — positively impact the minds of our future leaders."

"Teachers play such an important role in helping students pursue their dreams so I'm proud to be a part of the Farmers Insurance 'Thank A Million Teachers' program," Kahne said. "It's great being able to show our appreciation towards these amazing teachers who have positively influenced our lives."

"We are grateful to Farmers Insurance and Kasey Kahne for their support of all of the teachers and students at Oxmoor Valley Elementary," said Dr. Gwendolyn Tilghman, Principal of Oxmoor Valley Elementary. "Their visit today highlights the commitment teachers make to ensure a quality education for all students; teachers motivate and inspire students to set goals for their future endeavors. On behalf of our teachers, students and community, I would like to personally thank Farmers and Kasey for their support of teachers and the educational initiatives through the 'Thank A Million Teachers' program."

With more than 500,000 teachers across the United States already recognized since the "Thank A Million Teachers" program launched earlier this year, Farmers Insurance is far ahead of its stated goal to Thank a Million Teachers in 2014.

As part of the "Thank A Million Teachers" program, Farmers is urging America to thank teachers, past and present, for the positive impact they have had in communities across the nation. Farmers has also invited teachers to submit proposals for \$2,500 grants on the <a href="https://www.ThankAMillionTeachers.com">www.ThankAMillionTeachers.com</a> website.

In early April, Farmers awarded \$2,500 grants to the first group of 30 teachers who had submitted proposals during the first round of submissions in January and February.

During May, Farmers is inviting the public to vote on the next round of proposals submitted in March and April, with 30 new winners to be announced in June. In all, Farmers has committed to donating \$1 million to teachers and education programs in 2014.

For more information about the Farmers Insurance "Thank A Million Teachers" program, or to personally thank one or more of your favorite teachers, visit <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhankAMillionTeachers.com">ThankAMillionTeachers.com</a> today.

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