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## Mayor Jacobs Talks About SchoolMania, Election Day, Visit Knoxville

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— During his Weekly Update, which will post around 1 p.m. today, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs talks about SchoolMania's success, election day, and Visit Knoxville's recent contributions to the community.

Mayor Jacobs notes that "politics is more contentious than ever," and that "it takes a lot of courage to put your name on the ballot."

"So, whether we agree or disagree on policy, I respect the fact that folks are willing to run," he says. "Also, thank you to the voters who made their voices heard. We appreciate you taking part in the process."

The mayor also points out that last Friday's SchoolMania event was the biggest yet and thanks the local churches for helping to distribute more school supplies the following day.

"All in all, last weekend, about 6,500 bags of school supplies were distributed to Knox County families which is amazing, but only happens because of the efforts to many great folks and organizations," Mayor Jacobs says.

He also gave a shout out to Visit Knoxville for "the bang-up job they're doing." He notes that the organization has worked to bring a number of events to the area including the return of the CrossFit 2024 North America East Semifinal by Syndicate Crown, and then followed by the 2024 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Diving.