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CHA Hosts Largest Take Flight Trunk Party for Incoming College Freshman to Date

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CHA and Springboard to Success, CHA's non-profit partner, hosted 200 incoming freshman who will be attending 60 schools locally and around the country at the annual <u>Take Flight College Send-Off</u>. This was the largest turnout in the event's 14-year history.

Students received words of encouragement and parting gifts to furnish their dorm rooms as they prepared to embark on their next chapter. The students also received a surprise – free laptops, courtesy of AT&T.

The CHA trunk party was made possible thanks to the generous sponsorship support of AT&T, Molina Healthcare, Meijer, Enterprise, and SnapChat. The event was hosted by Springboard to Success, CHA's non-profit partner.

Among the national schools represented were Spelman University, Gettysburg College, Texas Southern and Connecticut College. The breakdown of the local schools was:

- 8 are attending Eastern Illinois University;
- 13 are attending Western Illinois University;
- 15 are attending University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign;
- 20 are attending Northern Illinois University; and
- A whopping 49 are attending Illinois State University