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The Gift of Life

Students had the chance to give the "gift of life" when the bloodmobile came in October. It gave a feeling of worth to the students and teachers who gave.

Although the goal of 115 pints was not met, the blood drive did collect 97 pints from the students and faculty. Michelle Porteriko, chairperson of the blood drive, said, "Even though the blood drive was 18 pints short, I felt that it was a success. Every one that signed up to give blood showed up. We even had extra people show up to give blood."

To give blood, a person had to weigh at least 110 pounds and be 17 years old or older.

Many people wanted to give blood but were turned away because they did not meet the qualifications. Some were on medications and some had colds. Football players were not allowed to give because of vigorous practice that week for the Summerville game.

Among the people that helped make the blood drive a success were Monroe Rhodes, Robert Reeves, Kim McNeil, and Leslie Pitts. Michelle and the others worked for a week encouraging students to sign up for the blood drive. "It was a lot of running around getting things done, but we had fun working with the blood drive," Michelle commented.

