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Colts' Mike Adams Gives Back to Indianapolis School



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Indianapolis, INDIANA – Just three months after signing as a safety with the Indianapolis Colts, Mike Adams is already giving back in the Indianapolis community. Following Monday night's week two game between the Colts and the Philadelphia Eagles, Adams will help support the children at the George and Veronica Phalen Leadership Academies (PLA) by providing backpacks filled with a wide variety of essential school supplies to over 100 of the network's Kindergarten students on September 16th.

Adams, now an 11-year veteran of the NFL with over 146 career games and 73 starts under his belt, also has an extensive history of charitable giving. He has received an award from the New Jersey House of Representatives and the State Senate highlighting his community service efforts.

"It's important to me that I give back to our youth. Kids are our future and I know I can help with making a difference in their lives," Adams stated. "I'm excited to meet the kids at Phalen Leadership Academy and hoping to put some big smiles on their faces."

PLA is an innovative network of charter schools in Indiana that was awarded an unprecedented 10 charters that will ultimately enable them to serve over 10,000 students annually in grades K-8. The network includes a longer school day and school year; two instructors per classroom; and a blended learning model to rapidly grow the academic skills of its scholars who are drawn primarily from some of the most impoverished neighborhoods of Indianapolis.

Adams will also share his inspirational life story with students, detailing his journey from growing up in a poverty-stricken neighborhood to the heights of starting in last year's Super Bowl XLVIII. The event will take place from 1:30–3:00 PM at PLA's inaugural school located at 2323 North Illinois Street in Indianapolis.



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