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Award-Winning Actor & Singer, Taye Diggs, Joins AdoptAClassroom.org & Burlington Stores to Surprise His Alma Mater with an over \$75,000 Donation

Taye's surprise launches Burlington's 5th annual in-store fundraising campaign for AdoptAClassroom.org

What: AdoptAClassroom.org, the national non-profit that helps PreK-12 teachers and their students get the materials they need to learn and achieve in the classroom, and [Burlington Stores](http://BurlingtonStores.com), the national retailer delivering amazing deals to customers every time they shop, are partnering for the fifth consecutive year to support high-need PreK-12 teachers nationwide by raising funds at Burlington's more than 780 stores now through August 9.

To celebrate this year's partnership, they are joined by actor and singer, Taye Diggs, to surprise the teachers from his middle and high school alma mater, School of the Arts in Rochester, NY with a more than \$75,000 AdoptAClassroom.org grant during a surprise virtual presentation. This school adoption will provide every teacher in the school with \$750* in funds to ensure their classrooms are prepared for the school year ahead.

**Teachers spend on average \$750 of their own money each year on supplies for their classrooms and students.*

Now through August 9th, Burlington customers are encouraged to donate \$1 or more at checkout to support AdoptAClassroom.org. Funds collected will help to offset the money teachers spend out of pocket on school supplies for their classrooms each school year.

Who: School of the Arts Students, Teachers and Administrators
Taye Diggs

When: Wednesday, July 14 at 1 PM EST

Where: Virtual presentation via WebEx*

**To join the virtual surprise announcement, please contact Kaitlyn Adams
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ABOUT BURLINGTON STORES, INC.

Burlington Stores, Inc., headquartered in New Jersey, is a nationally recognized off-price retailer with Fiscal 2020 net sales of \$5.8 billion. The Company is a Fortune 500 company and its common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "BURL." The Company operated 784 stores as of the end of the first quarter of Fiscal 2021, in 45 states and Puerto Rico, principally under the name Burlington Stores. The Company's stores offer an extensive selection of in-season, fashion-focused merchandise at up to 60% off other retailers' prices, including women's ready-to-wear apparel, menswear, youth apparel, baby, beauty, footwear, accessories, home, toys, gifts and coats. For more information about the Company, visit Burlington.com.

ABOUT ADOPTACCLASSROOM.ORG

We are a national, award-winning nonprofit that provides the most flexible and accountable funding for PreK-12 teachers and schools throughout the U.S. Our proprietary, easy-to-use education fundraising platform helps teachers, principals, and administrators give every child the tools they deserve to succeed in school. Since 1998, we have raised \$50 million and supported 5.5 million students. As a 501(c)(3) organization, we hold a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator and a platinum rating of transparency from GuideStar. For more information, or to make a donation, please visit <http://www.adoptaclassroom.org>.

ABOUT SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

School of the Arts (SOTA) is nestled in Rochester's historic Neighborhood of the Arts. It serves Rochester City School District students in Grades 7 through 12, and offers traditional academics complemented by an arts-based curriculum. It is the leader in public education for the Rochester community, a beacon of hope, and source of pride. For more than 40-years, it has been the top performing school in the Rochester City School District. The school's mission is student success...academic, artistic, and humanistic!

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