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The eight schools that are participating in the Metro Sports Report Classic raised \$1,899.76 as Bell-Ringers for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle fundraising drive this month.

The Jefferson J-Hawks led all the schools with \$471.20 in donations during their six-hour shift on Saturday, Nov. 16 at the Johnson Avenue Hy-Vee.

The Metro Sports Report Classic is a Pride Challenge event, as sanctioned by the Iowa High School Athletic Association. Each Pride Challenge event carries a community service component and the MSR Classic is working with the Salvation Army as it celebrates its 125th anniversary in Cedar Rapids.

All eight schools also will be donating presents for children associated with the Salvation Army to enjoy at the holidays.

"We are delighted that the schools were happy to donate their time and participate in a worthy cause," said Metro Sports Report President Jim Ecker. "We have received many fine comments about the project and are proud of the effort."

The Metro Sports Report Classic will be held Saturday, Nov. 30, at Johnson Hall on the Kirkwood Community College campus in southwest Cedar Rapids.

There are two sessions with a total of four 32-minute games.

The first session features Jefferson vs. Prairie at 11 a.m., followed by Linn-Mar vs. Marion at 1:15 p.m.

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The second session features Xavier vs. Kennedy at 5 p.m., followed by Washington vs. Cedar Valley Christian at 7:15 p.m.

Tickets cost \$1 for students, \$3 for senior citizens (55 & over) and \$5 for the general public. Tickets will be available at the gate.