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Well how does a new computer sound? Today, 85 lucky East Tennessee children got just that, through Connected Tennessee, a program that awards kids in foster care for good grades and behavior. The Computers 4 Kids initiative aims at bridging the digital divide by giving foster children access to technology they otherwise wouldn't have.

"Statistics show that children, young adults, anybody that has computer or access to a computer at home, number one, they're more likely to they're more likely to graduate from high school, and to get those skills that they need, to, you know, math, science skills, the technology skills that they need to go on to college or enter the workforce." Computers 4 Kids has awarded more than a thousand computers to foster children across the state.