CCSD welcomes James Dallas as principal of E.B. Ellington

Charleston, SC — Charleston County School District (CCSD) is proud to announce and welcome James Dallas as principal of E.B. Ellington Elementary. Dallas joins the district from Loudoun County Public Schools in Virginia where he has served as the director of teaching and learning since 2015.

In his role in teaching and learning, Dallas was responsible for the strategic direction, organization, and delivery of high quality instruction aligned with the district’s strategic vision. He oversaw budget development for instruction; design and implementation of K-12 curricula; design and administration of professional development around equity, inclusion, cultural competency and culturally responsive instruction; as well as the evaluation and selection of textbooks and other instructional resources to support the learning needs of 83,000 students.

“We are excited to welcome James to the district and look forward to the wealth of knowledge and experience serving in large K-12 systems he brings with him to our schools,” said CCSD Superintendent Gerrita Postlewait.

From 2007-2015, Dallas served as the principal of Discovery and Cedar Lane Elementary School in Loudoun County after holding the same position in Fairfax County Public Schools at Hybla Valley Elementary from 2003-2007. During his time in Fairfax County, Dallas was an assistant principal at William Halley Elementary, a staff development specialist and instructional support teacher in Fairfax’s Department of Instructional Services, and a second, fifth, and sixth grade teacher at Fairview Elementary.

Dallas holds a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education, a Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction, and an Education Specialist and Administration
Certification from Virginia Tech. Dallas was the recipient of the Washington Post Distinguished Leadership Award and was named Loudoun County's Principal of the Year in 2011-2012.

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About the Charleston County School District

Charleston County School District (CCSD) is the second largest school system in South Carolina representing a unique blend of urban, suburban, and rural schools that span 1,000 square miles along the coast. CCSD serves more than 50,000 students in 86 schools and specialized programs. With approximately 6,100 employees district-wide, CCSD is the fourth largest employer in the region.

CCSD offers a diverse, expanding portfolio of options and specialized programs, delivered through neighborhood, charter, magnet, IB (international baccalaureate), and Montessori schools, and is divided into three Learning Communities. Options include specialized programs in science, engineering and mathematics; liberal arts; music and other creative and performing arts; career and technical preparation programs; and military and other public service enterprises.