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Charleston, SC — Charleston County School District (CCSD) is proud to announce Anna Mims as principal at Mt. Zion Elementary School. Mims has served as the district's professional development coordinator for the past two years.

Mims entered the field of education in 2004 as a teacher with Teach for America at Quitman County Elementary in Lambert, Mississippi. At Quitman, Mims led classes of first grade Title I students to two grade levels of growth and achievement across core academic subjects. She also co-led a first grade remediation program and facilitated monthly professional development for first and second grade teachers from schools in the Delta Region on grade level content and reading interventions.

Mims continued serving students in Quitman as an intervention specialist with Barksdale Reading Institute for two years before returning to the classroom as a teacher with Yangon International School in 2007. At Yangon, Mims taught first and second grade English Language Learners while also leading the school's language arts vertical alignment process and serving as the school's accreditation coordinator.

In 2010, Mims entered education administration as a principal intern at Phineas Bates Elementary in Roslindale, Massachusetts. The following year, she moved overseas taking the role of a policy specialist for the Abu Dhabi Education Council in the United Arab Emirates. In this position, Mims oversaw policy development for 265 Abu Dhabi public schools, as well as stakeholder engagement, research and analysis, and implementation oversight with principals and management. During her time abroad, Mims also served as a founding assistant principal and principal for Vision International School in Al Wakrah, Qatar for three years where she oversaw the school's early childhood division comprised of students and staff from over 25 countries before returning stateside in 2018.

Mims earned her Bachelor of Arts at Duke University and Master of Education in School Leadership from the Harvard Graduate School of Education in Cambridge,

MA. She is also certified as a South Carolina elementary principal and a Massachusetts PreK-6 principal.

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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.