





Baptist Hill Middle High School

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## Media Advisory

Former NFL running back and best-selling author to visit Baptist Hill Middle High

**Who:** Media outlets are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**What:** Middle school and ninth grade students at Baptist Hill Middle High School will have the opportunity to meet retired NFL running back Rashad Jennings. Jennings, who spent seven seasons in the NFL with the Jaguars, Raiders, and Giants, is also a New York Times best-selling author of the book, *The IF in Life*.

Throughout his career in the NFL, as well as during his championship-winning season on Dancing with the Stars, Jennings gained the support and love of fans throughout the country. Today, Jennings is actively running <a href="The Rashad Jennings">The Rashad Jennings</a> Foundation, which dedicated to inspiring youth through his literacy program and providing mentorship and promoting health and fitness nationwide.

In preparation for the upcoming visit, 150 students received a copy of Jennings' third book in The Coin Slot Chronicles (released February 11, 2020). This latest release, *Arcade and the Fiery Metal Tester*, is a humorous and imaginative account that explores the power of friendship, finding your place, and the reality of missing home.

When: Friday, February 21, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

**Where:** Baptist Hill Middle High School, Media Center, 5117 Baptist Hill Road, Hollywood, SC 29449

For more information, please contact Baptist Hill's CTE Digital Arts & Entrepreneurship Teacher, Sarah Hogle, at (843) 889-2276.

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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 spanning 1,300 square miles along the coast. CCSD serves more than 50,000 students in 87 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.