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CCSD celebrates School Board Recognition Month

Charleston, SC – Charleston County School Board (CCSD) joined school districts throughout the state and nation to celebrate School Board Recognition Month. Monday, January 25, 2021 CCSD board members were recognized.

More than 600 locally-elected and appointed school board members throughout the state will be recognized by schools and communities for their service and dedication to public education.

The theme "School Board Strong" highlights the fact that school board members are elected/appointed by the people in their local communities to represent their voice and to ensure the success of schools and students.

"I am honored and privileged to work alongside the nine board members who have so willingly agreed to serve the students of Charleston County," said CCSD Superintendent Dr. Gerrita Postlewait. "This month we honor the year-round commitment that school board members make to our district and the community."

In Charleston County, school board members develop policies and make tough decisions on complex educational and social issues impacting the entire community. They bear responsibility for General Annual Operating Budget of \$541,425,487, over 47,000 students, and 87 schools.

As a part of School Board Recognition Month, CCSD board members participated in an official signing of the South Carolina School Board Member Ethical Principles during their January school board meeting. By signing the principles, school board members publicly vowed to uphold effective governance principles and pledged to improve public education in their community.

The men and women serving CCSD and their years of service are Rev. Dr. Eric Mack, Board of Trustees Chair; Courtney Waters, Board Vice-Chair; and Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen L. French, Ph.D., Joyce Green, and Lauren Herterich.

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About the Charleston County School District

Charleston County School District (CCSD) is a nationally-accredited school district that is committed to providing equitable and quality educational opportunities for all of its students. CCSD is the second-largest school system in South Carolina and represents 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.

CCSD offers a diverse, expanding portfolio of options and specialized programs, delivered through neighborhood, magnet, IB (international baccalaureate), Montessori, and charter schools. Options include programs in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); music and other creative and performing arts; career and technical preparation programs; and military.