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## **Media Release**

# Cario students selected for Lowcountry Region Orchestra

**Charleston, SC** – Congratulations to the Cario Middle School Orchestra members selected to the 2020/2021 Low Country Region Orchestra. These orchestra members will now be eligible to perform with the SC All-State Orchestra.

String orchestra members recently auditioned to earn a place in the competitive Low Country Region Orchestra sponsored by the South Carolina Music Educator's Conference. There are three orchestras (6-8 grade orchestra, 9-10 grade orchestra, 11-12 grade Orchestra). If selected to this honors level group, students get the opportunity to perform under the direction of guest conductors at the college level as well as composers of the literature the orchestra performs.

Unfortunately due to the pandemic, the region orchestra performance will not occur. However, region orchestra students will be eligible to move to the next level of auditions and get a chance to perform with the 2021 SC All-State Orchestra in the Spring.

"Cario Middle School orchestra members have continuously been selected to Region Orchestra and SC All-State orchestra since the program began in 1999," said Orchestra director Pamela Heine. "I am proud to say many of them continue on as members of the Wando orchestra with involvement in Region and All-State Orchestra.

Congratulations to the following students: Rebekah Appleton (violin), Fisher Bond (bass), Natalie Gizzo (viola), Makoto Thompson (violin), Madison Villafane (violin), Davis Waites (violin) Maxwell Winters (cello) and Natalee Wright (cello).

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### **About the Charleston County School District**

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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.