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## Media Release

### **Water Mission working with Sanders-Clyde**

**Sanders-Clyde Elementary  
School**

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**Charleston, SC** — Thanks to [Water Mission](#), students at Sanders-Clyde Elementary School have participated in events this spring to raise awareness about the global water crisis. The partnership began a few months ago through the school's STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) teacher, Lucy McCann.

To build awareness that 2.5 billion people in the world do not have access to safe water, Water Mission provided materials so students could learn more about the world's water shortage. For example, Sanders-Clyde scholars read *The Water Princess* by Susan Verde. After discussing how far some people have to travel to obtain safe water, fourth and fifth grade students participated in a relay race carrying water.

Then, on March 26, 2022, 30 Sanders-Clyde students and several teachers participated in Water Mission's Walk for Water. Participants carried a bucket of water for three miles to represent the journey that so many individuals around the world travel to access safe water.

The following month, Water Mission volunteers visited the school's Engineering Club and presented the students with a challenge. Scholars had to design their water filters with materials (varying sizes of pebbles, sand, charcoal, etc.) to transform dirty water with debris into cleaner, clearer water. They worked in teams to design their water filters and had the opportunity for multiple trials if they were not happy with the first attempt.

"Our students enjoyed partnering with Water Mission for multiple informative and engaging activities," said McCann. "We look forward to working with them in the future!"

For more information, please contact Principal Janice Malone at (843) 724-7783.

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Charleston County School District (CCSD) is a nationally accredited school district 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 approximately 49,000 students in 88 schools and specialized programs.

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