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CCSD Accepting Applications for Early Childhood Programs

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Charleston, SC — Charleston County School District (CCSD) is currently accepting applications for Child Development, Head Start, and Early Head Start programs for the 2018-2019 school year. Children who enroll in these programs attend at no cost to the family.

In CCSD, Head Start and Early Head Start students receive services from birth to three years old, and pregnant women receive center-based and home-based services. To participate in Head Start and Early Head programs, families must meet certain income guidelines, and children must meet specific age requirements. Both programs are funded through the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

To apply for Head Start or Early Head Start, families are asked to provide:

- Proof of their gross income for the past 12 months
- Proof of the child's age
- Proof of residency
- A current South Carolina Immunization Certificate
- Medicaid card or private insurance
- Current physical exam (must include the blood lead level and hemoglobin) and current dental exam
- Proof of pregnancy (for pregnant woman applying for Early Head Start)

CCSD also offers full-day Child Development/Pre-Kindergarten programs for students who will be four years old by September 1 of the year of enrollment. Applications are now being accepted for the upcoming academic year. Parents should apply at the elementary school where their children are zoned to attend.

Space is limited; applications for all Early Learning programs are now available on the CCSD website, www.ccsdschools.com.

For additional information on Early Learning programs offered in CCSD, please contact the District's Early Learning Department at (843) 937-6342.

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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.