



**Camp Road Middle School at  
James Island**

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## Media Advisory

### *Camp Road Middle Welcomes Award-Winning Author Kwame Alexander*

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

**What:** Camp Road Middle School (CRMS) at James Island is proud to welcome award-winning author Kwame Alexander; he will deliver a presentation for 7<sup>th</sup> grade students, and participate in a book signing/meet the author session.

Alexander is a poet, educator, New York Times bestselling author of 24 books, recipient of the 2015 Newbery Medal (for his novel, *The Crossover*), and founder of two organizations, Book-in-a-Day and LEAP for Ghana. He regularly travels the world as a literacy advocate. Students at CRMS have already purchased and read *The Crossover*, and will bring their copies for Alexander to sign. He will be in Charleston for this year's Black Ink: A Charleston African-American Book Festival; the event's mission is to support local Black writers.

**When:** Friday, September 22, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. (media are asked to arrive 15 minutes before the event)

**Where:** CRMS at James Island Auditorium, 1484 Camp Road, Charleston, SC 29412

**For more information:** For more information regarding this event, please contact CRMS Teacher-Librarian B.T. Bouton at (843) 762-2784.

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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.