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Media Advisory

Grand Opening for the First Lowcountry Food Bank In-School Pantry at R.B. Stall High School

Who: Media outlets are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

What: Representatives from R.B. Stall High School and Lowcountry Food Bank are hosting a grand opening ceremony for the Lowcountry Food Bank's new In-School Pantry. The Lowcountry Food Bank is starting its In-School Pantry program to help alleviate child hunger in coastal South Carolina through the provision of food to children and their families who experience food insecurity. The Lowcountry Food Bank's In-School Pantry program will support children who experience hunger when they do not have access to free and reduced school meals. The program provides staple grocery items to students and their household family members at no cost to them.

The In-School Pantry program was established by the Lowcountry Food Bank with funding from the estate of Elizabeth B. O'Connor. These pantries are operated by staff and volunteers in the schools who already have relationships with the students and their families; they can ensure that anyone in need has access to the pantry. The Lowcountry Food Bank will deliver food monthly to the pantry, and the school will distribute it as needed. When stocking the In-School Pantry, the Lowcountry Food Bank will make fresh produce available whenever possible.

When: Thursday, November 16, 4:00 p.m. (media members are asked to arrive 15 minutes before the event)

Where: R.B. Stall High School, 3625 Ashley Phosphate Rd., North Charleston, SC, 29418

For more information regarding this event, please contact Assistant Principal Claudia Newbern at (843) 207-3730, or Lowcountry Food Bank's Chief Development Officer, Kathryn Douglas, at (843) 747-8146 x104.

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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.

R. B. Stall High School

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Principal

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.

About the Lowcountry Food Bank: Feed. Advocate. Empower.

The Lowcountry Food Bank serves the 10 coastal counties of South Carolina and distributed more than 26 million pounds of food in 2016. The Lowcountry Food Bank is a clearinghouse for donated food products that are distributed to a network of nearly 300 member agencies including soup kitchens, homeless shelters and emergency food pantries. The Lowcountry Food Bank is a member of Feeding America and is committed to educating the public about the problems of and solutions to domestic hunger as well as advocating on the behalf of the hungry in our community. For more information go to www.lowcountryfoodbank.org