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# Media Release

## **James Island Charter High School unveils new CTE and gym spaces**

**Division of Strategy and  
Communications**

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**Charleston, SC** – Charleston County School District (CCSD) is proud to unveil a new Career and Technology Education (CTE) building and competition gymnasium on the James Island Charter High School Campus.

The \$24.9 million project was completed by M.B. Kahn Construction. The two projects totaled 58,132 square feet and was designed by Quackenbush Architects and Clancy + Wells Architects.

“These additions will meet the needs of today’s students by providing state-of-the-art classrooms, labs, and athletic facilities that will support new and existing programs,” said Principal Timothy Thorn.

The CTE space will serve nearly three hundred students and provide areas of study in Building Construction Management, Culinary Arts, Health Sciences, Engineering, and Information Technology.

The gym, named Millie Kennedy Gymnasium, will be able to accommodate approximately 1,900 patrons. The building also has an athletic hall of fame, a school store, an additional weight room, and a Sports Medicine classroom/lab.

A project-designed sound system and jumbo JICHS Trojan graphics make this highly professional educational facility stand out, added Jasmeen Shaw, Executive Director of Capital Programs.

For more information, contact the Division of Strategy and Communications at (843) 937-6303 or the school at (843) 762-2754.

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**About the Charleston County School District**

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.

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.