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Media Release

Cooper River Center for Advanced Studies hosts Student Showcase

North Charleston, SC - Cooper River Center for Advanced Studies (Cooper River CAS) hosted their Spring Student Showcase on Thursday, May 17, 2022.

Families, community members, and business and industry representatives toured the campus and learned about the programs of study – Health Sciences, PLTW Biomedical Science, Information Technology, Media Technology, PLTW Pre-Engineering, Mechatronics, Global Logistics, Building Construction, Automotive Collision and Repair. They also viewed student projects, experience student skill demonstrations, and met the instructors.

Students at Cooper River CAS develop both academic and employability skills that help them to define their career paths and pursue post-secondary goals. The school's career counselors work closely with students to provide real-world career experiences.

Students gain relevant industry education, training, and certification through rigorous college and career teaching standards. Students learn to demonstrate life and career characteristics that enhance their global perspective, develop self-direction, promote a strong work ethic, and build interpersonal skills.

"Our Spring Showcase is evidence that we are well on our way to accomplish our mission. Our parents, business partners and students showed up in full force last night. I can only imagine the impact the Cooper River Center will have on our community when we are operating at full capacity. We have now transformed the future of 100 students in spite of all the obstacles we faced this past year."

The Center's instructional programs align with regional, state, and national college and career indicators that prepare students for high-skill, high-demand, high-wage careers for the 21st-century global economy. The programs offered to ensure all students are well prepared for career fields that will meet the demands of future industry.

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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.