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## Media Release

### **Pinckney's E.C. Setser wins professional development scholarship from PSTA**

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Mount Pleasant, SC – Charles Pinckney Elementary School's Alethea "E.C." Setser has been selected as one of ten winners of the 2022 Dr. Elizabeth Gressette Professional Development Scholarship. The scholarship is sponsored by Palmetto State Teachers Association's (PSTA) Foundation for Professional Development and is awarded annually to encourage and support PSTA members in pursuing advanced degrees. Applicants must be PSTA members for at least three years and be currently enrolled in a higher education program to apply for the scholarship.

Setser currently works as a Gifted and Talented teacher. She is pursuing a Master's Degree in Administration from The Citadel.

The scholarship winners were each awarded \$1,600 and will be recognized at the PSTA Annual Business Meeting on April 2, 2022.

Palmetto State Teachers Association is the largest professional education association for teachers in South Carolina. Dr. Elizabeth Gressette, a former public school kindergarten teacher, was the founding member of PSTA in 1976. PSTA provides professional benefits to support its members throughout their careers in education. More information can be found at [www.palmettoteachers.org](http://www.palmettoteachers.org).

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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.