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CCSD schools and programs select their Teachers of the Year for 2022

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Charleston, SC — School leaders throughout Charleston County School District (CCSD) have announced and honored their school Teachers of the Year last month. These outstanding educators will begin serving as representatives on the district's Teacher of the Year Roundtable and as a voice for their school and fellow staff members this spring.

Many of these educators will vie to be selected as the CCSD Teacher of the Year in the coming weeks. District staff members will surprise the district's top five Teacher of the Year finalists later this spring, and announce the winner before the conclusion of the 2021-2022 school year. West Ashley High School's A.J. Barnes is the current District Teacher of the Year.

The following educators were recently recognized as their school or program's Teacher of the Year (listed alphabetically by school):

A.C. Corcoran Elementary - Brittany Fichter
Academic Magnet High School - Natasha Akery
Angel Oak Elementary - Robyn Markovic
Ashley River Creative Arts Elementary - Judi Beaudrot
Baptist Hill Middle High School - Allie Tronoski
Belle Hall Elementary - Katherine Cotter
Buist Academy - April Bonneau
Burke High - Karen Thompson
C.E. Williams Middle (North Campus) - Sara Holstein
C.E. Williams Middle (South Campus) - Bonnie Johns
Camp Road Middle - Noel Bridges
Carolina Park Elementary - Stephanie Ethridge
Charles Pinckney Elementary - Carol Gurrieri
Charleston Charter School for Math and Science - Teresa (Jandi) Withrow
Charleston County School of the Arts – Christopher Selby
Charleston Development Academy - Tanisha Martin
Charleston Progressive Academy - Laura Shaw
Chicora Elementary - Brittany Mitchell
Cooper River Center for Advanced Studies – James Dean
Daniel Jenkins Academy - Rosa Jonson

Deer Park Middle - Nakia White Hazel
Drayton Hall Elementary - Angeliqe Kochera
E.B. Ellington Elementary - Alice Debrow
Early College High – Dawn Althen
East Cooper Center for Advanced Studies – Melissa Beyel
Edith L. Frierson - Taylor Bensinger
ESOL Department - Becca Nexsen (School?)
Gifted and Talented Department - Greg Thomas (Sullivan's Island Elementary)
Harbor View Elementary - Angela Vaughan
Haut Gap Middle - Kenneth Huttner
Hunley Park Elementary - Alichia Leavy
James B. Edwards Elementary - Ashley Pomposelli
James Island Charter High School - Emily Crocker
James Island Elementary - Suzanne Baranski
James Simons Montessori - Lauren Martin
Jane Edwards Elementary - Marcia Fields
Jennie Moore Elementary - Candace Harvey
Jerry Zucker Middle - Adam Bevins
Julian Mitchell Elementary – Chak Or
Ladson Elementary - Dawn Murdaugh
Laing Middle - Laura Owen
Lambs Elementary - Dorothy Rogers
Laurel Hill Primary - Danica Dickerson
Liberty Hill Academy - Rachel Crow
Lucy Beckham High - Nicole Forrester
Malcolm C. Hursey Montessori - Deetz Hanna
Mamie P. Whitesides Elementary – Patricia Smoot
Mary Ford Early Learning & Family Center - Blair (Amanda) Hranowsky
Matilda F. Dunston Elementary - John Farrelly
Memminger Elementary - Kory Roberts
Midland Park Primary – Angelica Chavez
Military Magnet Academy – Carla Ferrette-Clark
Minnie Hughes Elementary – Andriette Dent
Morningside Middle – Jacqueline Townsend
Moultrie Middle – Julia Kuehn
Mount Pleasant Academy – Ari Tuttle
Mount Zion Academy – Casey Sullivan
Murray-LaSaine Montessori – Polly Schultz
North Charleston Creative Arts Elementary – Juan Ruiz
North Charleston Elementary – Casey Engleking
North Charleston High – Bryanna Smalls
Northwoods Middle – Nathalie Bennett
Oakland Elementary - Brooke Maguire
Orange Grove Charter – Jackie Turner
Pepperhill Elementary – Tabitha Strong
Pinehurst Elementary – Hillary Crosby
R.B. Stall High – Maurice Grant

Sanders-Clyde Elementary – Ilona King-Wilson
Septima P. Clark Academy – Brian Shields
Simmons-Pinckney Middle – Barbara Harpe
Springfield Elementary – Taylor Steele
St. Andrew’s School of Math and Science – David Wingard
St. James-Santee Elementary-Middle – Casey Marlowe
St. John’s High – Becca Nexsen
Stiles Point Elementary – Kate Weller
Stono Park Elementary – Nathalie Melvin Rodriguez
Sullivan’s Island Elementary – Natalie Harden
Thomas C. Cario Middle – Joel Crosby
Turning Point Academy – Arlyne Shine
W.B. Goodwin Elementary – Sarah Swain
Wando High – Jason Sox
West Ashley Center for Advanced Studies – Robert Woods
West Ashley High – Sandra Cannon

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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.