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CCSD Welcomes Leadership for Acceleration Schools

Charleston, SC — Charleston County School District (CCSD) is proud to announce and welcome Jacqueline Haynes as Executive Director of Acceleration Schools. Haynes joined CCSD from Hillsborough County Public Schools (HCPS) where she has served as the director of achievement schools since 2018.

In her most recent role, Haynes developed and planned school turnaround framework for low performing schools in Hillsborough County, coordinated and directed a partnership with the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business Partnership for Leaders in Education, and oversaw the improvement of 50 low performing achievement schools to meet Florida's rating system. Additionally, Haynes supported implementation of the Achievement Schools Strategic Plan for improvement in leadership, instructional infrastructure, talent management, and climate and culture, as well as led internal and external stakeholder focus groups to receive feedback on how to improve schools using the appreciative inquiry model. She also created and oversaw the curriculum and implementation of equity liaisons in achievement schools.

Prior to leading achievement schools, Haynes served as an executive principal coach in Area 5 of HCPS for three years where she oversaw and supported the professional learning and development of 400+ leaders and staff in three high schools, five middle schools, 15 elementary schools, and nine Title I schools related to equity, curriculum, and student and teacher performance. She spent her first 15 years in HCPS as an assistant principal (2000) and principal at Howard W. Blake High where she was the first African-American high school female principal in the district beginning in 2003. Haynes has also spent time as a guidance counselor, executive internship coordinator, teachers in industry coordinator, and a classroom teacher.

Haynes earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from Florida State University and a master's degree in Education Leadership and a master's degree in Guidance and Counseling from the University of South Florida. She also holds an education specialist degree in Education Innovation and is a doctoral candidate at the University of South Florida. Haynes is professionally certified as a K-12 principal, guidance counselor, and elementary educator (grades 1-6), and has received her ESOL endorsement and certification as a National Teacher Center Leadership Coach.

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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. 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.