



**For Immediate Release**  
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## Media Advisory

### *West Ashley Middle building community through basketball*

#### West Ashley Middle School

**Who:** Students, parents, school staff, and community members are encouraged to attend. Media outlets are welcome as well.

**Gerrita Postlewait, Ed.D.**  
Superintendent of Schools

**What:** West Ashley Middle School (WAMS) is hosting an Athlete 2 Athlete (A2A) Basketball Inclusion Extravaganza. A2A is a [program](#) that encourages students, parents, and staff members to embrace the school and unify the school community. A2A will bring a diverse group of HarborCats (students) and community members together to work as a team to experience the power of empathy and wipe out prejudice through sports.

**Cynthia Ambrose**  
Deputy Superintendent of Learning Services

A2A events provide opportunities to build relationships for ALL participants, regardless of background or ability.

**Joseph Williams, Ed.D.**  
Executive Director of Middle School Learning Community

**Where:** West Ashley Middle School, Gym, 1776 Kennerty Drive, Charleston, SC 29407

**Maite Porter**  
Principal

**When:** Monday, November 18, 2019 from 2:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

For more information about the A2A Basketball Inclusion Extravaganza, please contact WAMS social studies teacher Joe Fleming at (703) 789-2928.

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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 spanning 1,300 square miles along the coast. CCSD serves more than 50,000 students in 87 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.