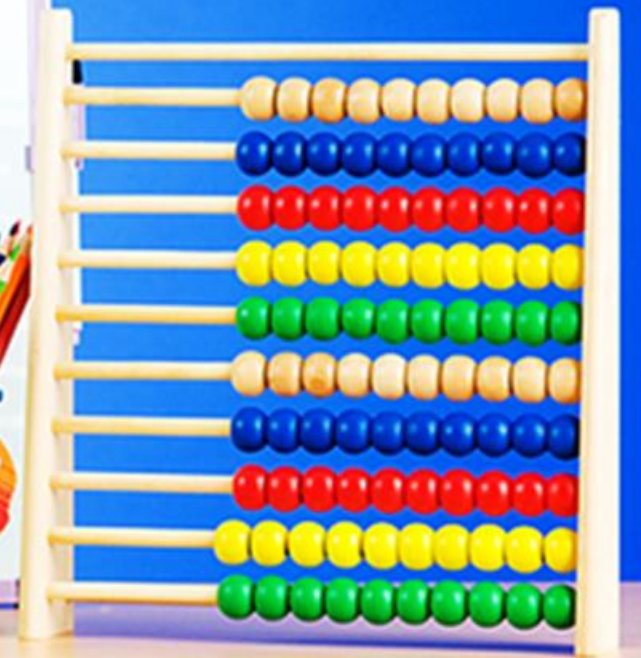




Dorchester School District 2 2025

“State of the District”

**BACK TO
SCHOOL**





Ashley Ridge High School JROTC



Invocation



Schoneke Summerhill

**Beech Hill Elementary School
DD2 2023 Teacher of the Year**



Welcome



Dr. Ashley Wimberly

**Board Chair
Dorchester School District 2**



Sand Hill Singers



District Teacher of the Year 2024

Sarah Nesbit
Summerville High School





Dr. Shane Robbins, ATC
Superintendent of Schools

“As a leader, it is so important that your words equal your actions. It is imperative that you make sure that you go through self-evaluation process on a daily basis to make sure that your actions are in line with your words. You must do what you say and say what you do”

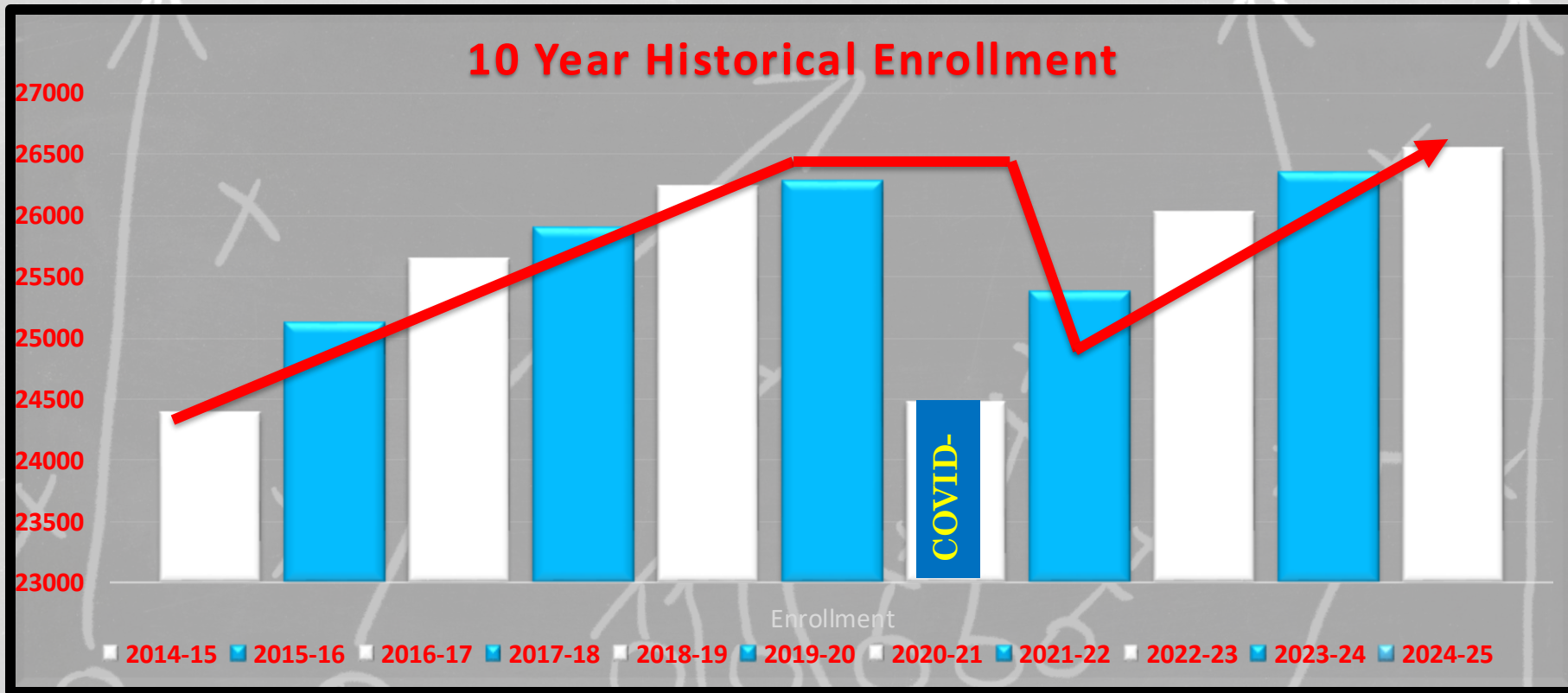
-JON GORDON
You win in the Locker Room First;
The 7 C's to Build a Winning Team

Culture
Contagious
Consistent
Communicate
Connect
Commitment
Care





Student Enrollment



24,275



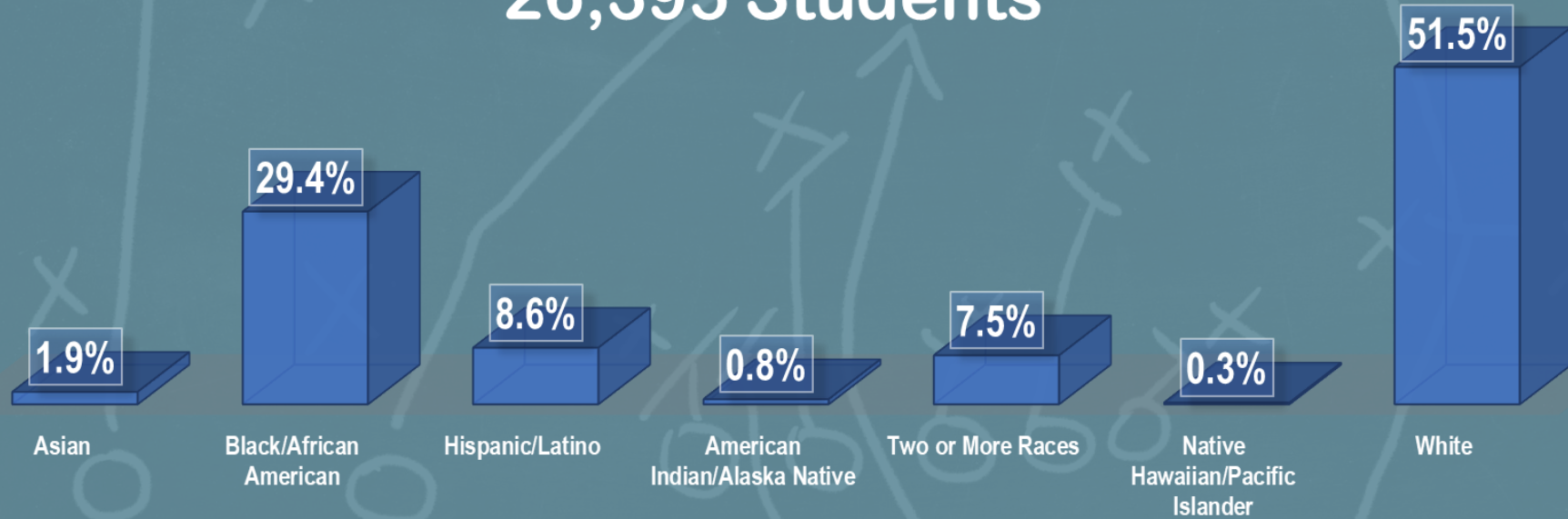
26,395





Demographics

Who We Are
26,395 Students





Our Team

1,874 Certified employees

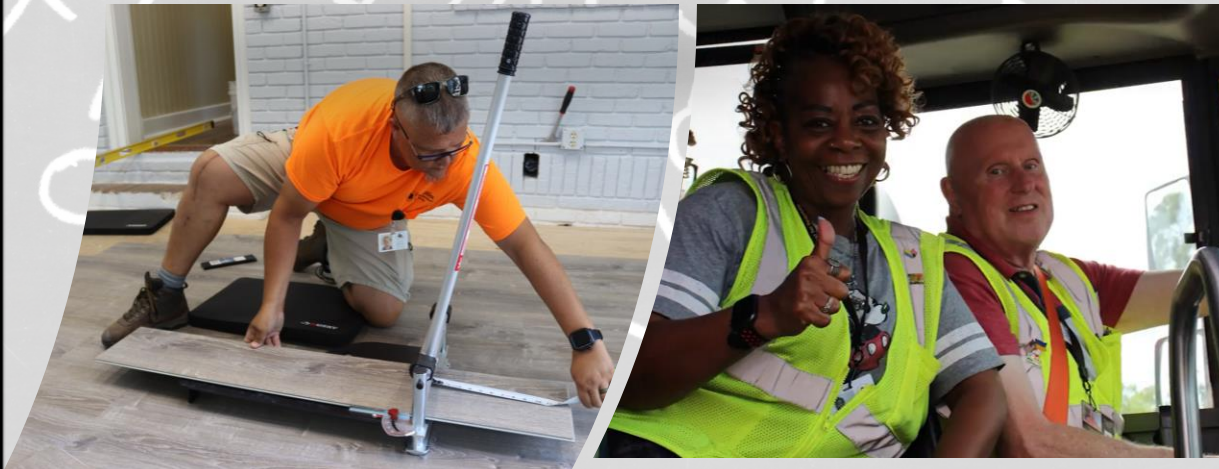
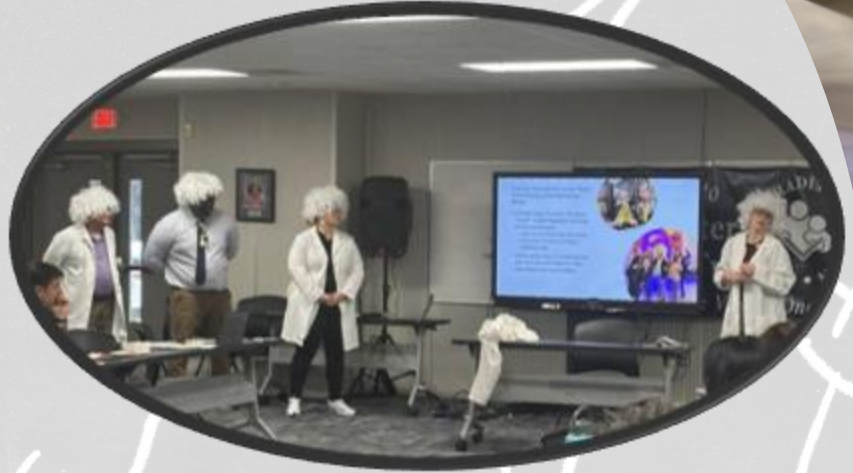
- ✓ \$53,208 average salary
- ✓ 24.5% inexperienced teachers
- ✓ 53.6% have advanced degrees

2,142 classified employees

- ✓ Transportation
- ✓ Food Services
- ✓ Nursing
- ✓ Security
- ✓ Maintenance
- ✓ Custodial
- ✓ Technology
- ✓ Secretary
- ✓ Paraprofessionals

4,016

Largest Employer in Dorchester County





Areas of Excellence



Palmetto's Finest

- Joe Pye Elementary School
- Gregg Middle School
- Ft. Dorchester Elementary School
- Ashley Ridge High School
- Beech Hill Elementary
- William Reeves Elementary School
- Newington Elementary School
- Summerville Elementary School
- Oakbrook Elementary School
- Flowertown Elementary School
- Spann Elementary School
- Rollings Middle School of the Arts

National Blue Ribbon School

- Sand Hill Elementary School
- Beech Hill Elementary School
- Rollings Middle School of the Arts
- Oakbrook Elementary School
- Flowertown Elementary School
- Summerville Elementary School
- Knightsville Elementary School

- 90 National Board Certified Teachers
- State Teacher of the Year Finalists
- Elementary Principal of the Year
- School Librarian of the Year (just announced)
- AND MANY MORE





SC Education Funding Dashboard

SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE
Funding
Quick Facts
Compare Districts
Build a Graph
Aid to Classrooms

SC EDUCATION FUNDING DASHBOARD

For more information, see <https://fa.sc.gov/education-funding-dashboard>

Select Fiscal Year
 FY 2022-..

Go to Data Tables

Select Districts: Berkeley, Charleston, Dorchester 2 and 1 more

Hold down the CTRL-key and click to select multiple districts. Click in the white space to remove

Choose Your Comparison Criteria:

A) Compare by: Expenditures per Student

B) Compare by: Revenues per Student

C) Compare by: Avg. Teacher Salary

D) Compare by: % of Students in Poverty

Sort by: Comparison A

Sort Ascending or Descending Order? Descending

Districts: Berkeley, Charleston, Dorchester 2 and 1 more

A) Expenditures per Student

Dorchester 04	\$22,424
Charleston 01	\$20,062
Berkeley 01	\$14,593
Dorchester 02	\$12,938

B) Revenues per Student

Dorchester 04	\$23,799
Charleston 01	\$26,125
Berkeley 01	\$17,652
Dorchester 02	\$14,230

C) Avg. Teacher Salary

Dorchester 04	\$55,021
Charleston 01	\$60,013
Berkeley 01	\$58,430
Dorchester 02	\$54,685

D) % of Students in Poverty

Dorchester 04	74.92%
Charleston 01	48.31%
Berkeley 01	54.57%
Dorchester 02	53.52%

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State Charter Districts. To change column sorting, Click to the right of "Amount" or "Rank" for options.

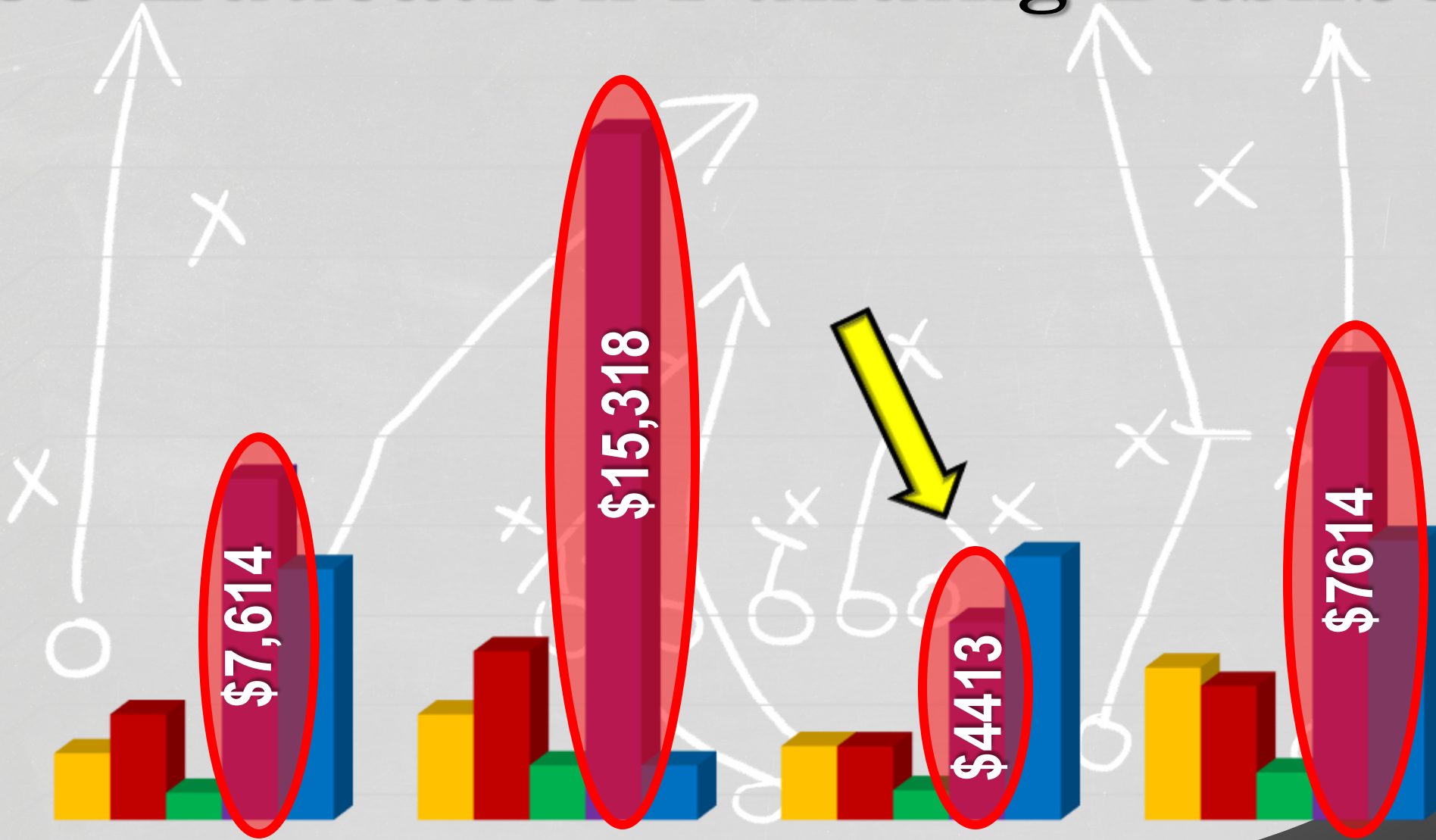
District	Expenditures per Student		Revenues per Student		Avg. Teacher Salary	
District	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
Berkeley 01	\$14,593	56	\$17,652	40	\$58,430	13
Charleston 01	\$20,062	14	\$26,125	5	\$60,013	6
Dorchester 02	\$12,938	69	\$14,230	70	\$54,685	50





SC Education Funding Dashboard

\$16,000.00
\$14,000.00
\$12,000.00
\$10,000.00
\$8,000.00
\$6,000.00
\$4,000.00
\$2,000.00
\$0.00



Berkley County School District

Charleston County School District

Dorchester School District 2

Dorchester School District 4

■ Property Taxes (State) ■ Federal Sources ■ License Fees, etc (Local) ■ Property Taxes (Local) ■ K-12 Appropriations (State)



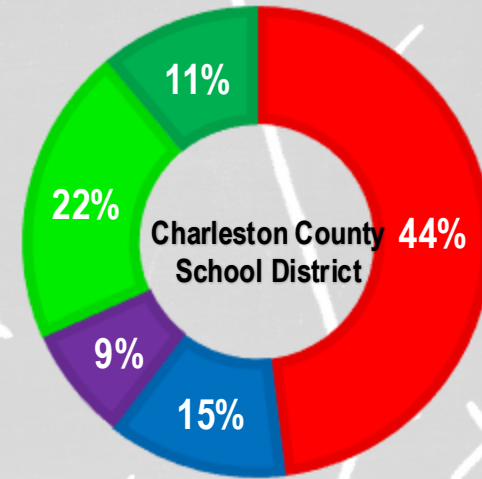
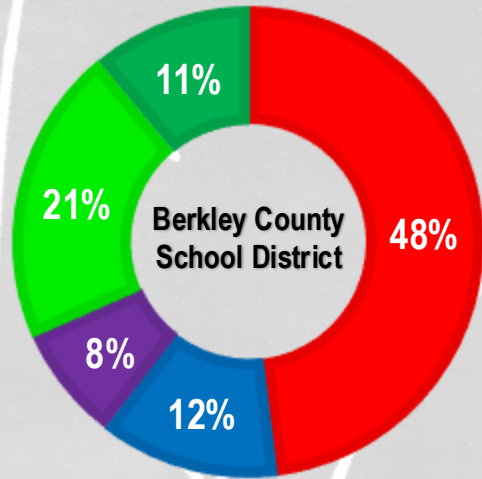


Expenses



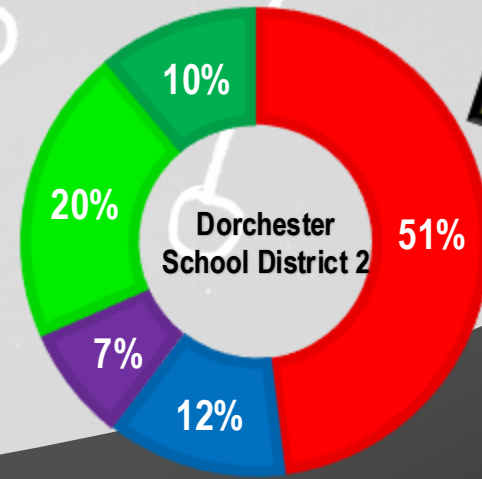
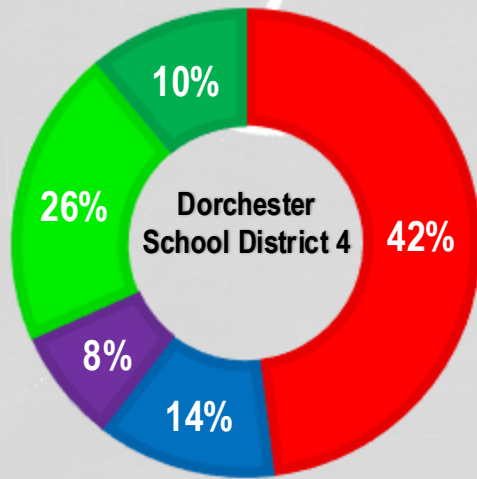
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DORCHESTER COUNTY TREASURER
 CINDY L. CHITTY
 201 JOHNSTON ST. • SAINT GEORGE SC 29477-2412
 500 NORTH MAIN ST. • SUMMERVILLE SC 29483



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2024 Real Estate Tax Notice

CHANGE OF ADDRESS



TMS 1531301075000

Mailing address changes should be submitted in writing and sent to the Assessor's office located at 201 Johnston St, St. George, SC 29477.

You may also submit your request online by visiting www.DorchesterCountySC.gov/addresschange.

Please note the address change requested will apply to the next tax year, not the current year.

Local

Revenue

TAX YEAR		DISTRICT	
2024		200	
DESCRIPTION		MILLAGE	
[REDACTED]		353.20	
		ASSESSMENT RATIO	
		4%	
GOVERNMENT AGENCIES RESPONSIBLE FOR MILLAGE & TAX DOLLARS			
% OF BILL	TAXING ENTITY	MILLAGE	TAXES
15.26%	County Operating	53.70	1,194.31
2.43%	County Debt	8.60	181.26
1.44%	County Library	5.10	113.42
1.72%	County Capital Improvements	6.10	135.66
0.28%	Children in Crisis	1.00	22.24
0.50%	Senior Citizens Centers	1.80	40.03
6.00%	County Fire	21.20	471.49
50.56%	School Operating	178.60	3,972.00
18.40%	School Debt	65.00	1,445.60
2.54%	School Vocational	9.00	200.11
100.00%	Sub Total		7,855.17
	Less School Tax Credit Savings		-4,172.22
	Plus SWUF(Solid Waste User Fee)		85.00
	Plus STWMF(Stormwater Management Fee)		60.00
	Grand Total		3,827.95

CURRENT VALUES & PRIOR YEAR TAX INFORMATION		
LOTS/	1	ACRES 0.00
		BLDGS/IMPR. 2
TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE		556,000
ASSESSMENT RATIO		4%
TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE		22,240
PRIOR YEAR TAX INCLUDES TAXES AND FEES		3,932.47
TAX CALCULATION		
Assessed Value		22,240
X Tax Millage		.35320
= Taxes before credits & fees		7,855.17
- 4% Legal Residence/School Tax Credit		-4172.22
- Homestead Exemption		0.00
+ Fee Totals		145.00
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:		3,827.95
DUE BY:		1/15/2025





Cash

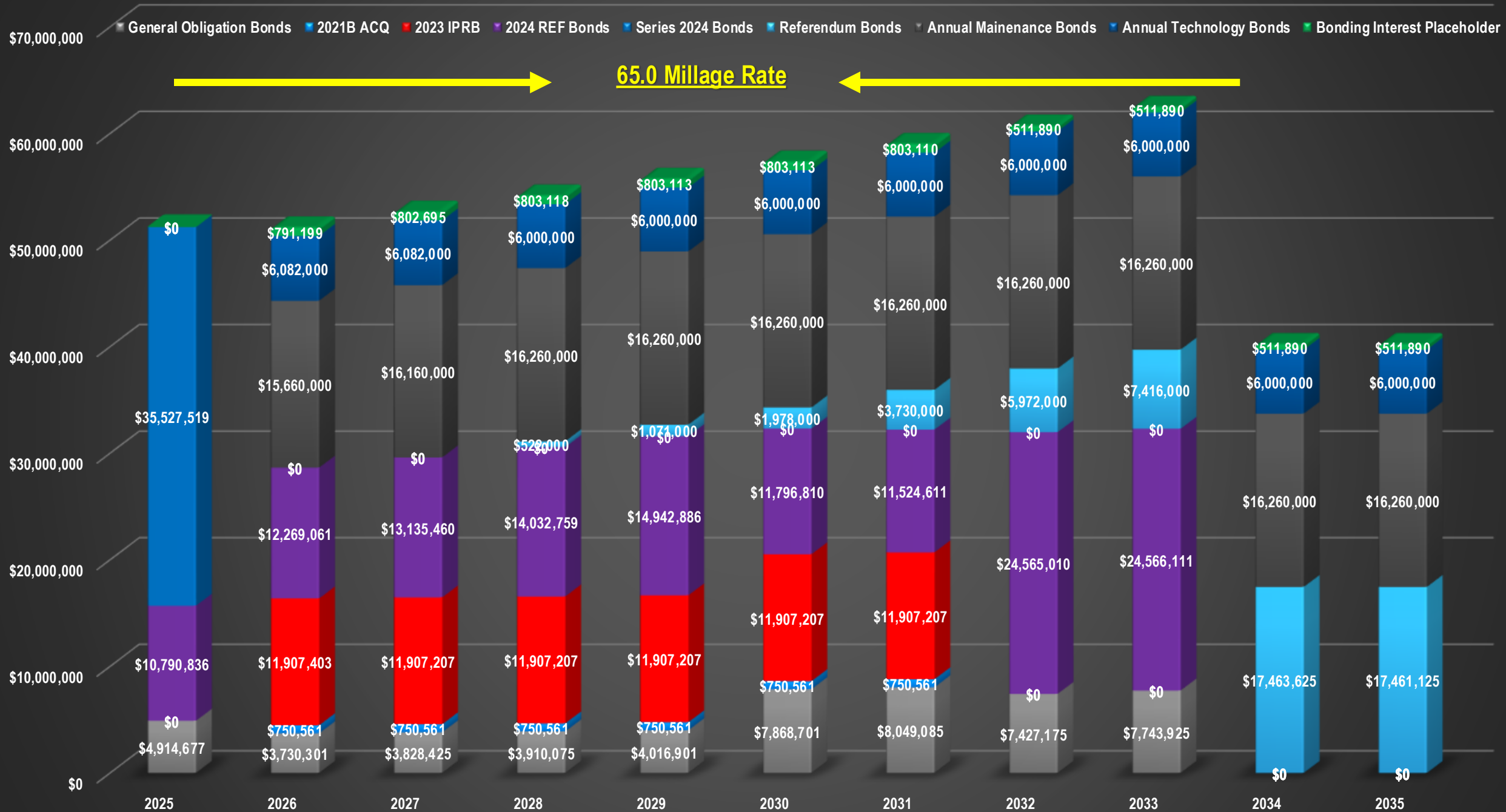


Reserves



2024-2025 Dorchester Two FY25 General Fund Cash Flow Analysis

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	TOTAL
Beginning Balance:	64,894,865	72,363,612	63,214,315	53,470,317	47,341,658	48,542,915	48,017,451	52,688,124	85,379,346	85,411,211	82,884,307	77,994,387	56,326,168
General Fund Revenue													
Property Taxes	(456,090)	1,667,323	1,575,598	1,377,827	2,234,488	5,435,928	15,991,000	37,952,233	1,276,098	1,534,645	1,876,736	2,120,835	72,586,621
Fee in Lieu of Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	(370,367)	-	167,621	77,615	-	60,375	2,550,394	2,485,638
Interest	384,749	312,105	314,960	254,157	231,604	212,340	160,000	160,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	2,629,915
Other Local Sources	167,385	60,014	17,187	68,952	70,826	118,552	49,044	14,426	63,602	75,502	38,044	121,517	865,051
Total "Local" GF Revenue	96,044	2,039,442	1,907,745	1,700,936	2,536,918	5,396,453	16,200,044	38,294,280	1,567,315	1,760,147	2,125,155	4,942,746	78,567,225
State Aid to Classrooms	10,201,775	10,201,775	10,135,557	10,468,662	10,468,662	10,468,662	9,695,310	9,695,310	9,695,310	9,695,310	9,695,310	9,695,310	120,116,953
Other State rev	-	27,261	42,969	1,251,979	86,542	53,706	19,924	132,216	40,785	26,598	96,508	412,064	2,190,552
Trans Worker/Retiree Insur	701,214	624,464	624,464	836,806	836,806	969,112	969,111	969,111	969,111	969,111	969,111	969,111	10,407,532
Act 388 Tax Relief Tier III	-	-	-	3,574,575	3,574,575	3,574,575	-	3,373,857	6,747,714	4,373,858	4,373,858	6,764,518	36,357,530
Homestead Exemption	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,228,485	-	1,228,485
Merchant's Inventory	-	44,766	-	-	44,766	-	-	44,766	-	-	44,766	-	179,064
*Trf EIA State Aid Classrm	2,104,583	2,104,583	2,090,922	2,090,922	2,090,922	2,090,922	2,000,101	2,000,101	2,000,101	2,000,101	2,000,101	2,000,101	24,573,460
Total "State" GF Revenue	13,007,572	13,002,849	12,915,226	18,222,944	22,984,076	17,751,750	12,684,446	16,215,361	20,410,469	17,681,505	18,708,139	19,887,181	203,471,518
Impact Aid	-	-	-	-	-	23,111	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	73,111
Total "Federal" GF Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	23,111	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	73,111
Total Revenues	13,103,616	15,042,291	14,822,971	19,923,880	25,520,994	23,171,314	28,884,490	54,509,641	21,977,784	19,441,652	20,833,294	24,879,927	282,111,854
Expenditures:													
Total Expenditures	5,634,869	24,191,588	24,566,969	26,052,539	24,319,737	23,696,778	24,213,817	21,818,419	21,945,919	21,968,556	25,723,214	46,548,146	200,680,551
Cash Reserve	25.06%	21.89%	18.52%	16.40%	16.81%	16.63%	18.25%	29.57%	29.58%	28.70%	27.01%	19.51%	
													Projected: Operating Fund Balance
													56,326,168





Salary & Benefit

2-Year Summary	Teacher Salaries	Classified/ Admin Salaries	ECA Salaries	Benefit Cost Increase	Employee Retention Bonus	New Teacher Signing Bonus	New Positions for Growth	Total
2023-24	\$5,800,000	\$4,900,00	\$0.00	\$4,200,000	\$7,100,000	\$900,000	\$5,800,000	\$27,900,000
2024-25	\$12,110,000	\$670,000	\$670,000	\$2,400,000	\$2,300,000	\$900,000	\$3,900,000	\$26.400,000
2022-23 to 2023-24 Budget Increase			\$237,657,195	\$266,412,413	\$28,755,218	12.1%		
2023-24 to 2024-25 Budget Increase			\$266,412,413	\$288,748,486	\$22,336,073	7.73%		



- ✓ \$2,000 Signing bonus for new hires (teachers)
- ✓ \$3,000 Signing bonus for new hires (Special Education Teachers)
- ✓ \$2,500 increase to every step of the teacher salary schedule (2023-24)
- ✓ \$5,500 increase to every step of the teacher salary schedule (2024-25)
- ✓ 4% increase to the classified staff and administrative salary schedules
- ✓ Additional increases for TAs, Bus Drivers, Adult Support Staff, and Custodians
- ✓ Funding to meet the state mandated increase in healthcare and retirement costs

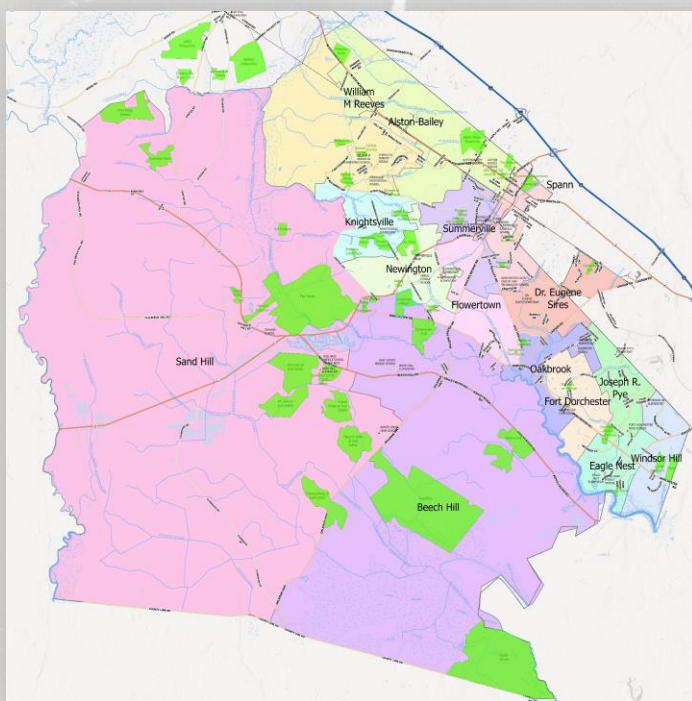


Challenges/Successes



Housing Developments

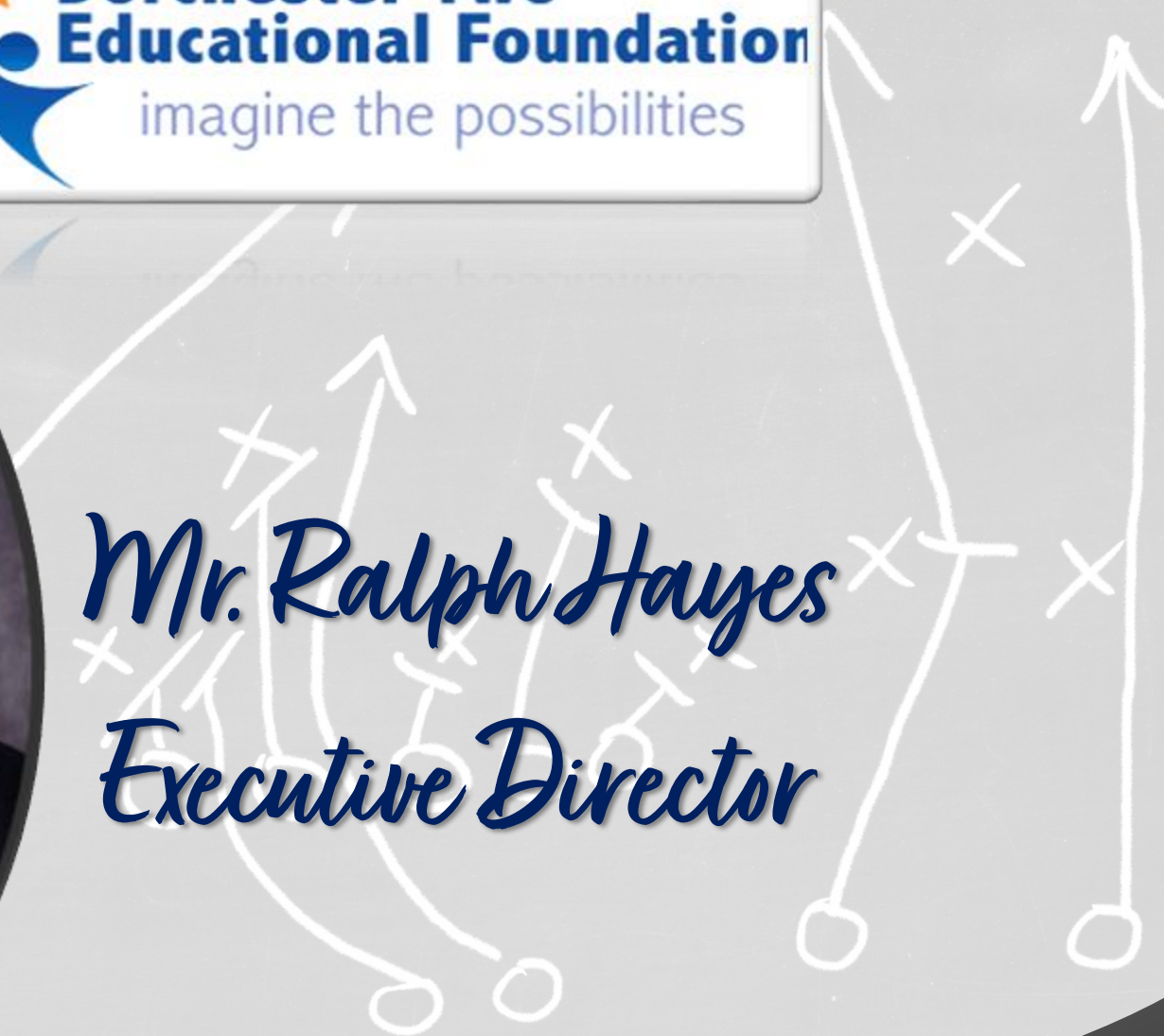
Location	10-Year Forecast
Dorchester County	10,134
Town of Summerville	4,039
Future Developments	2,923
TOTAL	17,096



- ❖ **Sixth Lowest Funded School District in the State of South Carolina**
- ❖ **Teacher salaries rank near the bottom of the low country**
- ❖ **Housing development causing overcrowding in a sector of the school district**
- ❖ **Community supported a referendum to address the facility needs of the district**
- ❖ **DD2 continues to achieve academically largely in part to the loyalty of the staff**
- ❖ **State and National accolades continue, despite the funding gap**



Mr. Ralph Hayes
Executive Director





Dorchester School District 2 2025

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