



James Simons Montessori School

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James Simons Montessori Students Partner with Keep Charleston Beautiful for Community Cleanup

Charleston, SC - Seventh and eighth graders at James Simons Montessori School recently partnered with the City of Charleston Department of Parks' Keep Charleston Beautiful initiative to clean up their school's surrounding community. Walking over six blocks, the students worked diligently to pick up litter and beautify their neighborhood. This hands-on service project allowed them to take an active role in making a positive impact on the environment while reinforcing their responsibility as engaged citizens.

Over the past two months, students have explored the meaning of service while studying the root causes of homelessness. Their commitment has extended beyond the classroom as they volunteered at the Lowcountry Food Bank and worked with Habitat for Humanity to support those in need. These experiences have deepened their understanding of social issues and strengthened their desire to make a difference.

The students at James Simons Montessori remain dedicated to serving their community throughout the remainder of the school year. Through partnerships like Keep Charleston Beautiful and local nonprofit organizations, they continue to develop leadership skills and a sense of civic responsibility.

"Their efforts not only contribute to a cleaner, more compassionate Charleston but also reinforce the lifelong value of service - a cornerstone of their Montessori education," said Principal Beth Dillenkoffer.

For more information, contact Principal Dillenkoffer at (843) 724-7763.

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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 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 50,000 students in 88 schools and specialized programs.

CCSD offers a diverse portfolio of educational options and specialized programs delivered to the students of CCSD through neighborhood, magnet, IB (international baccalaureate), Montessori, and charter schools and programs. Rich educational opportunities for students include programs in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); music and other creative and performing arts; career and technical preparation programs; military; dual credit; and many more.