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Media Release

Veteran, Successful CCSD Leader Sharon Randall **Appointed Principal at Morningside Middle**

Charleston, SC (July 7, 2025) - Charleston County School District is excited to announce that Sharon Randall has been named principal of Morningside Middle School. Currently the assistant principal at the East Cooper Center for Advanced Studies, Randall brings more than 30 years of experience in public education, including serving as principal at both Cario and Camp Road Middle Schools.

Randall began her career as a middle and high school English teacher for 15 years before transitioning into school and district leadership roles over the past 18 years. Throughout her career, she has developed systems and processes that promote safe, efficient, and high-performing school environments. Her leadership is rooted in collaboration with teacher leaders, the strategic use of data, differentiated instruction, and strong family and community engagement. Under her guidance, schools have consistently demonstrated academic growth year after year.

Randall has a particularly strong background in instructional leadership. While at Cario, she launched a Collective Leadership initiative and implemented Instructional Rounds that helped maximize class time and improve outcomes. She also created a system to identify and grow in-house teacher leaders, offering monthly, peer-led professional learning sessions during planning periods, giving teachers meaningful, choice-based learning grounded in daily practice.

Randall is also known for her transparency with data, helping teachers access and apply student data in real time to adjust instruction and improve student achievement. Her systems-oriented approach ensures students build upon learning from year to year.

In addition to her instructional strengths, Randall has a robust background in Exceptional Education, having served as the administrator over special education at multiple schools, including Wando High School, which served nearly 4,000 students. She prioritizes collaborative problem-solving among teachers to meet the needs of individual students.

"I firmly believe that great teachers are critical to the success of any school," said Randall. "I know firsthand that Morningside's hard-working teachers plan learning opportunities that allow students to formulate new ideas and expand their interests. I very much look forward to working side by side with faculty and staff who are enthusiastic and focused on creating award-winning, student-centered programs in and out of the classroom."

Randall also recently helped build a partnership between East Cooper CAS and St. James-Santee Middle School, inviting 7th and 8th grade students to explore high school-level career

coursework and pathways. She is known for her ability to connect with diverse school communities, foster student voice, and lead with both structure and empathy

CCSD Superintendent Anita Huggins is delighted that Randall has agreed to bring her leadership expertise and renowned professional experience to Morningside.

"I have known Ms. Randall and her work for well over a decade, and she has shown time and time again that her leadership style is highly effective," said Huggins. "She brings a structured and determined approach to leadership that will move Morningside forward, while her thoughtful manner ensures every student, staff member, and family feels heard and supported. Her balance of strength and compassion is exactly what this school community needs."

Randall holds a Bachelor's in English and Minor in Education from the University of NC at Asheville, a Master's in Special Education from Furman University, and Plus 30 in English and Secondary Administration Certification, both from The Citadel.

CCSD extends its sincere appreciation to Mr. George White for his service as Interim Principal. We are grateful for the support he has provided to students, families, and staff during this transition, and we wish him well in his next role.

For more information, please contact the Office of Communications at (843) 937-6303.

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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.