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Hannah Bodie
Principal of Mamie P. Whitesides Elementary School

Whitesides Assistant Principal Hannah Bodie Named Next Principal of Mamie P. Whitesides Elementary

Charleston, SC (April 17, 2026) - Charleston County School District (CCSD) is pleased to announce that Hannah Bodie has been selected as the next principal of Mamie P. Whitesides Elementary School, effective July 1, 2026. Ms. Bodie will succeed current principal Michelle Conner, who previously announced she will be relocating out of state.

Ms. Bodie brings more than two decades of experience in education, including a strong record of instructional leadership, teacher development, and student-centered decision-making. She currently serves as Assistant Principal at Whitesides Elementary, where she supports schoolwide academic initiatives, leads data-driven instructional practices, and works closely with teachers to strengthen classroom instruction and student outcomes.

A familiar and trusted presence within the school, Ms. Bodie has built strong relationships with students, staff, and families and has demonstrated a deep commitment to the Whitesides community. Her continued leadership reflects a clear investment in the school's success and a dedication to ensuring every student is supported and challenged to grow.

Prior to her current role, Ms. Bodie served as interim assistant principal and assistant administrator at Whitesides, as well as a literacy coach and literacy interventionist within CCSD. Her experience also includes classroom teaching across multiple grade levels, giving her a deep understanding of the full continuum of elementary education.

Throughout her career, Ms. Bodie has demonstrated a strong commitment to improving student achievement through collaboration, data-informed instruction, and meaningful support for educators. She has led professional learning communities, coordinated schoolwide assessments, and supported Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) to ensure all students receive the support they need to succeed.

“Ms. Bodie is a dedicated leader who considers the Whitesides community her home,” said Superintendent Anita Huggins. “Her experience as a teacher, instructional coach, and school leader has prepared her well to build on the strong foundation already in place and continue moving the school forward.”

Ms. Bodie holds a Master of Education in Educational Leadership from The Citadel, a Master of Education in Early Childhood, and a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education from the College of Charleston. She is certified in both elementary and early childhood education, as well as school administration.

CCSD thanks Principal Michelle Conner for her leadership and service to the Whitesides community and wishes her the very best in her next chapter.

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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 51,000 students in 90 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.