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Charleston County School District Invites Principals to Listening Session

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Charleston, SC — The Charleston County School District (CCSD) will hold the second of six* listening sessions on Tuesday, June 20 at 5:00 PM. Tuesday night's session will include a principal panel roundtable selected by teacher leader advocacy groups.

Held at the district's administrative building, 75 Calhoun Street, the CCSD listening sessions are designed to collect input from key stakeholders including teachers, principals, parents, students, and area community and business leaders. The participation from these groups will be the foundation of a new strategic plan for the district.

"I am encouraged by the honest, open and productive feedback received from the teacher roundtable and audience last Thursday evening," said Superintendent Gerrita Postlewait. "These conversations are much needed, and together, we will create a new direction for the district."

All sessions are open to the public and include overflow seating as needed. The second portion of the session will be open for general comments from the audience and attendees.

At the conclusion of the listening session series, the administration will present a new strategic plan incorporating stakeholder feedback to the board.

For more information about the upcoming listening sessions, please contact the Office of Strategy and Communications at (843) 937-6303 or communications@charleston.k12.sc.us.

*Six sessions represents the initial scheduled sessions. There will also be five additional teacher listening sessions. They will be held every Wednesday from 3:00-4:00 p.m. at 75 Calhoun Street beginning June

21, 2017 and ending on July 26, 2017. There will not be a session held on July 5, 2017.

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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 that span 1,000 square miles along the coast. CCSD serves more than 50,000 students in 86 schools and several 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 led by associate superintendents. 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.