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Media Advisory

More Than 700 CCSD Students and Staff to See *Hidden Figures*

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Who: Media outlets are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

What: Over 700 Charleston County School District (CCSD) students and staff from 17 schools will see the critically-acclaimed movie *Hidden Figures* tomorrow. Professionals from Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR), with support from Charleston Promise Neighborhood, Charleston Defense Contractors Association, and others, are sponsoring this STEM-focused event to inspire students.

The City of North Charleston is providing Chick-fil-A boxed lunches, and Nickelodeon/Viacom Kids & Family donated the tickets.

Before the movie, students will have the opportunity to visit STEM-related booths from a variety of businesses in the movie theater's lobby.

Following the movie, there will be a "response and reflection" panel discussion led by professionals from the different participating businesses.

When: Tuesday, February 14, 2017, starting at 8:30 a.m. Movie will be viewed at 10:00 a.m., and the panel discussion will start at 12:15 p.m.

Where: Regal Charles Town Square Stadium 18, 2401 Mall Drive, North Charleston, SC 29406

For more information about the field trip, contact Chad Vail, CCSD's Work-based Learning Partnerships Coordinator from the Career and Technology Education Department at (843) 937-6489.

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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.