



For Immediate Release

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Media Advisory

Mary Ford Elementary to Celebrate Wellness Week Health Fair

Who: Community members and media outlets are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

Mary Ford Elementary School

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What: Mary Ford Elementary School (MFES) is holding its first Health Fair. There will be healthy snacks from Clemson Extension, Fresh Future Farms, and Charleston County School District's Nutrition Services. There will also be performances from Dance Fitness, blood pressure screenings, and hand-washing lessons with blacklights. Other sponsors include Molina Health Care, the American Lung Association, Kidswell, Dental Provider, Planned Parenthood, and the Department of Health and Environmental Control.

This event is the culmination of Wellness Week, which includes Hydration Day (complete with a visit from the Charleston Public Works water buffalo), Walking Day (featuring a performance by the West Ashley High School band), and Athletics Day (with appearances by Charlie T. RiverDog, Cool Ray and the South Carolina Stingrays, and College of Charleston basketball players).

When: Thursday, March 30, 2017; 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Media are asked to arrive 15 minutes before the event.

Where: Mary Ford Elementary, 3180 Thomasina McPherson Blvd, North Charleston, SC 29405

For more information regarding this event, please contact the school nurse at MFES, Charlene Barbot, at 843-745-2166.

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About the Charleston County School District

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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