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Shavonna Coakley
Principal on Special Assignment

CCSD Selects Shavonna Coakley as Principal on Special Assignment for Alternative Programs

Charleston, SC — Charleston County School District (CCSD) is proud to announce Shavonna Coakley as a Principal on Special Assignment for the Department of Alternative Programs for the 2017-2018 school year. She has previously served as Principal at Chicora School of Communications since 2015, and will begin her new role on July 1, 2017.

Coakley began her career in the District in 2000 as a teacher. While in this position, Coakley served as grade-level chair; as on-site trainer for her school's South Carolina Certificate Renewal Plan, Reciprocal Teaching program, and the implementation of South Carolina curriculum standards in reading and math; and as a member of the on-site campus leadership team. In 2010, Coakley moved into an assistant principal position, and then subsequently became a building leader.

"The Department of Alternative Programs and Services is excited to have a Principal on Special Assignment join our team," said Executive Director for Alternative Programs, Jennifer Coker. "She will be instrumental in our continued efforts to refine and reform school climate and student discipline in CCSD." Some of Coakley's responsibilities will include: working with schools on Progressive Discipline Plan implementation, holding student discipline hearings, monitoring school discipline data, and providing targeted professional development for schools. "Ms. Coakley's experience will be an asset to our department and all student and families in CCSD," Coker continued.

Coakley holds a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Livingstone College, a Master of Arts in Education Administration and Supervision from the University of Phoenix, and a Doctorate in Administration and Supervision, also from the University of Phoenix.

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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.