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Clarendon County School District Awarded the 2025 Cognia Innovation and Impact Award

CCSD Earns Prestigious Award for Innovation and Impact

Clarendon County, SC — The Clarendon County School District is proud to announce that it has been honored with the 2025 Cognia Innovation and Impact Award. This prestigious recognition honors institutions that exemplify excellence in transforming education through innovative practices aimed at continuous improvement.

The award acknowledges Clarendon County School District's dedicated efforts in embracing data-driven decision making, collaborative stakeholder engagement, and sustainable change initiatives. The district was recognized for carefully identifying areas for growth by analyzing data and collaborating with teachers and students to inform meaningful change.

Furthermore, Clarendon County developed and implemented formal processes to ensure the effective integration and monitoring of new practices, ultimately achieving measurable results. The district's commitment to embedding these innovative strategies into its culture ensures long-term sustainability, fostering an environment of ongoing improvement.

Dr. Erica Murdaugh, Director of Early Childhood and Elementary Education, accepted the award at the recent IMPACT Conference. During the event, she emphasized the district's unwavering commitment to excellence and continuous growth, highlighting the collaborative efforts that made this achievement possible.

"This award reflects the hard work and dedication of our teachers, students, and community partners," said Dr. Murdaugh. "Our focus remains on creating an environment where innovation thrives, and every student can succeed. We are honored to receive this recognition from Cognia, and we look forward to continuing our journey of educational excellence."

Superintendent Dr. Shawn Johnson also expressed his pride in the district's accomplishments, stating, "This award is a true testament to our entire team's dedication and innovative spirit. It demonstrates our ongoing commitment to leveraging data and collaboration to improve student outcomes. We are excited about our future and remain fully committed to fostering a culture of growth and excellence."

The Clarendon County School District remains dedicated to fostering a unified culture of innovation and continuous improvement, ensuring all students are prepared for success in an ever-changing world.

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