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CCPS Earns National Recognition for Music Education

JONESBORO – Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is proud to announce that the district has earned a 2023 Best Communities for Music Education designation as issued by the NAMM Foundation. The Best Communities for Music Education honor is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement in efforts to provide music access and education to all students.

This is the second such designation for the district, as the first was awarded in 2022. CCPS is one of 830 school districts across the nation to be recognized.

“We are so proud of the Music Education component of our outstanding Fine Arts program,” said Dr. Anthony W. Smith, CCPS Interim Superintendent of Schools. “This award confirms that our district provides an inclusive instructional program that effectively prepares our students to be college and career ready.”

To qualify for the Best Communities designation, CCPS answered detailed questions about funding, graduation requirements, music class participation, instruction time, facilities, support for the music program and community music-making programs. Responses were verified by school officials and reviewed by The Music Research Institute at the University of Kansas.

Now in its 24th year, Best Communities for Music Education (BCME) is a signature program of the NAMM Foundation that recognizes and celebrates school districts and schools for their support and commitment to music education. The award program recognizes outstanding efforts by teachers, administrators, parents, students and community leaders who have made music education part of a well-rounded education.



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About Clayton County Public Schools: Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by Cognia. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 50,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the sixth-largest school system in Georgia.

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