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## **Montessori School of Camden named Excellent at statewide Academic Showcase**

**CAMDEN, SC** – The Montessori School of Camden was recognized again for their outstanding academic performance in the 2022-2023 school year at the Charter Institute at Erskine’s Academic Showcase on Friday, November 3, 2023.

The Montessori School of Camden’s Middle School earned a Gold School of Excellence award for performing in the top 25% of all South Carolina middle schools in English Language Arts (ELA) in the 2022-2023 school year. Both the elementary and middle school programs have outperformed the local school district in ELA for the last two years.

Additionally, this is the second consecutive year that the middle school program has outperformed the local district in Science.

“Achieving excellence was a collaborative effort that stemmed from a commitment to our students, dedicated staff, and a shared vision for academic success,” said Head of School, Ms. Deb Cyrier. “It’s wonderful to see our Montessori community continuing to move the needle for another school year.”

At the showcase, charter schools from around the state were celebrated for their academic achievement and outstanding growth. The Montessori School of Camden was one of 14 schools recognized at the event and was asked to present their strategies for academic growth with their peers.

The Montessori School of Camden is a 5K-8 public charter school in Kershaw County with a privately funded Infant – 4K program that offers a carefully developed and well-researched Montessori style of education. Enrollment is currently open at the Montessori School of Camden – visit <https://www.montessori-camden.com/> to learn more.

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*The Montessori School of Camden's students and staff member are recognized by Charter Institute at Erskine staff at 2023 Academic Showcase. From left to right: Mr. Vamshi Rudrapati (Institute), Dr. Missy Brakefield (Institute), James Choice-Livingston, Jr. (Montessori), Rennick Nichols (Montessori), E. Lee Westbury (Montessori), Superintendent Cameron Runyan (Institute), Dr. Steve Adamson (Erskine College & Institute Board Chair).*