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The Charter Institute at Erskine hires Mike Sinclair as Deputy Superintendent of School Support

COLUMBIA, SC --- The Charter Institute at Erskine (the Institute) welcomes Mr. Mike Sinclair as the new Deputy Superintendent of School Support. In this role, Mr. Sinclair will develop partnerships and serve as a liaison between schools, principals, parents, businesses, and other community stakeholders for the Charter Institute at Erskine's 26 schools and surrounding communities.

Sinclair has a proven track record of leadership experience in education, especially within charter school programs. Prior to his transition to this role with the Institute, he served as the Principal of Brashier Middle College Charter High School (BMCCHS) from 2006 to 2022. BMCCHS is one of the top-rated public high schools in South Carolina and was recently recognized by the Institute as a recipient of the 2021-2022 Diamond Schools of Excellence award for their outstanding academic achievement.

“After 20 years of serving as a principal, I am excited to have the chance to impact schools throughout the state,” said Sinclair. “My passion is providing opportunities for students to do amazing things, and the school level leadership, teachers, and parents are the key to making that happen. Great things are in the future for the students of our state.”

Sinclair has been involved with the Institute in a leadership capacity since 2019, when he served the Institute as a mentor and school support specialist, providing exceptional guidance and communicating with school leaders to identify their needs and appropriate support resources.

“Mr. Sinclair has been essential in Brashier Middle College’s continuous success,” said Nelson Pinochet, Board Chair of BMCCHS. “Although we’re sad to see him go, we know his extensive experience will have a large impact at charter schools and their leadership statewide. Mike will always be a part of our Brashier family.”

In this role, Sinclair will work closely with the Superintendent and Director of the Institute, as well as other key leadership and staff members to support a variety of strategic plans and initiatives for the Institute and its schools. He will also be responsible for sustaining relationships with internal and external key stakeholders to ensure proper dissemination of information, in

addition to a host of other support services. The team looks forward to welcoming Mr. Sinclair as the newest member of the Institute team on July 1, 2022.

“The addition of this role reflects the Institute’s continuing commitment to a high level of support for our schools,” said Cameron Runyan, Superintendent of the Charter Institute at Erskine. “Mr. Sinclair has already demonstrated excellence at both the school and district level, and we could not be more excited to welcome him to the Charter Institute at Erskine.”

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The Charter Institute at Erskine is the fastest-growing charter school authorizer in South Carolina, serving 26 schools and 24,000 students across the state. For more information about the Institute, please visit www.erskinecharters.org.

