

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**PRESS STATEMENT**

The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that the screening and initial interviews of applicants for district superintendent is complete. The Board has narrowed the applicant pool to two finalists, Dr. Jaime Hembree and Dr. Anne Pressley.

Dr. Hembree has worked in education since 2002. For the past four years, she has served in Lexington School District Three, initially as an elementary school principal, and currently as the Director of Special Services. She also has served in a variety of other roles in South Carolina and North Carolina, including assistant principal, instructional coach, and teacher. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education at Marshall University in West Virginia, and both her Masters and Doctorate of Education degrees at Gardner Webb University in North Carolina.

Dr. Pressley has worked in education since 1995 and earned a Bachelor of Arts from Clemson University, a Masters degree from Converse College, and a Doctorate of Education from the University of South Carolina. She has been employed with the South Carolina Department of Education since 2014, and currently serves as the Director of Office Standards and Learning. In addition, Dr. Pressley has served as an assistant principal, instructional coach and teacher, as well as in district-level administrative capacities in both Greenville County School District and Beaufort County School District.

The Board will be conducting more in-depth interviews with these individuals on Monday, February 24th at the District Office.

Verteema Chiles  
Board Chair

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