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Students From Cyber Academy of South Carolina To Be Celebrated with In-Person Graduation Ceremony They Earned

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GREENVILLE, S.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- After two years of questions and distractions, the students from Cyber Academy of South Carolina (**CASC**), an online public school serving Kindergarten through 12th grade students throughout the state, will celebrate their graduation with an in person commencement ceremony this weekend.

Staffed by state-licensed teachers, CASC is authorized by The Charter Institute at Erskine.

"Graduation is a day that many students didn't think was possible, but they persevered and through their hard work, love and dedication of their families, and the caring staff at Cyber Academy of South Carolina, this far-away dream is now an amazing reality," said Erin Craft, Graduation Coach CASC. "We are so proud of each of our graduates and look forward to seeing what the future holds for them."

In CASC, ELA, Math, and Science proficiency improved in over 66% of grade levels during the pandemic where the state declined. Additionally, the school increased its graduation rate by nearly 16% in the past three years. During the past 2 years, COVID and other benefits to schooling at home has led to an increase in enrollment that nearly doubled the school's population.

This year, CASC will graduate nearly 300 students. Members of the graduating class report they have been accepted to colleges and universities across South Carolina and beyond, including Full Sail University, Clemson University, Anderson University, College of Charleston, Winthrop University, Francis Marion University, University of South Carolina, Texas A & M, and Baylor University.

Kody Ashley is CASC 2022 valedictorian and plans to take a gap year before returning to college and joining the AirForce. Luis Vargas Gómez is the class salutatorian and will attend Horry-Georgetown Community College.

Students choose online learning for a number of reasons—some are looking to escape bullying, some may have fallen academically off track, and others are looking for an alternative to the traditional classroom setting. CASC students access a robust online curriculum in the core subjects and a host of electives and attend live online classes taught by state-certified teachers.

CASC is inviting all families and friends worldwide to join the celebration as the event will be livestreamed on CASC's Facebook page. Details of the graduation ceremonies are as follows:

WHAT: Cyber Academy of South Carolina Graduation Ceremony

WHERE: Koger Center, 1051 Greene Street Columbia, SC 29201

WHEN: Saturday, June 4th, 2022, 2:00pm

CONTACT: For any questions about the celebrations, please contact Erin Craft at ecraft@cyberacademysc.org. For media inquiries, please contact FaithHoney Anderson at fanderson@k12.com.

About Cyber Academy of South Carolina

Cyber Academy of South Carolina (CASC) is an online public-school program of The Charter Institute at Erskine, serving students across the state of South Carolina. CASC is tuition-free, giving parents and families the choice to access the engaging curriculum and tools provided by Stride, Inc. (NYSE: LRN), the nation's leading provider of proprietary K-12 curriculum and online education programs. For more information about CASC, visit casc.k12.com.

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