



**Charleston County School District**  
**Office of the Superintendent**  
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September 25, 2025

Dear Scholarship Selection Committee,

It is with confidence that I recommend Ms. Kalilia “Nikki” Wilson for the NABSE \$10,000 Scholarship as she embarks on her journey as a member of the inaugural cohort of the Doctor of Education program at the College of Charleston. I have had the pleasure of knowing and working alongside Ms. Wilson in her capacity as a dedicated Assistant Principal within the Charleston County School District, and I can attest to her professionalism, leadership, and commitment to the advancement of students and educators alike.

Throughout her career, Ms. Wilson has demonstrated an ability to foster academic growth, social-emotional development, and inclusive learning environments. She has successfully led, served as a mentor and coach to both new and veteran educators, and advocated for equitable educational opportunities for all students. Her extensive experience—spanning from classroom instruction and athletic coaching to administrative leadership—has cultivated a deep understanding of the complexities of modern education and the strategies required to sustain meaningful change.

What sets Ms. Wilson apart is her passion for lifelong learning and her ability to inspire the same in others. As a member of NABSE for the past three years, she has actively participated in the National Conference and other professional development forums, consistently seeking opportunities to contribute to and learn from the broader community of Black educational leaders. Her participation in various leadership capacities—such as mentoring teachers, facilitating adult learning, and leading professional development initiatives—reflects her dedication to the ideals NABSE upholds: excellence, equity, and empowerment.

Ms. Wilson’s enrollment in the Doctor of Education program at the College of Charleston is a natural progression of her professional journey. Her academic background, coupled with her practical leadership experience and commitment to advocacy, uniquely positions her to make significant contributions to the educational landscape both locally and nationally. She approaches challenges with empathy, intellectual rigor, and an unwavering belief in the transformative power of education.

I am confident that Ms. Wilson will continue to exemplify the spirit of NABSE and use the knowledge gained through her doctoral studies to uplift students, educators, and communities. She is a proud educator, leader, and visionary who embodies the very qualities this scholarship seeks to support.

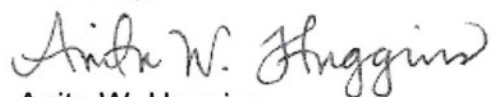


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**Anita W. Huggins**  
Superintendent of Schools

Please feel free to contact me should you require additional information or insight regarding Ms. Wilson's accomplishments and character.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anita W. Huggins". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Anita" and last name "Huggins" being clearly legible.

Anita W. Huggins

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