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WCSD HOSTED EDMENTUM'S RURAL DISTRICT SHOWCASE

Rural school leaders are, in many ways, innovators. They have long recognized the benefits of adopting virtual learning programs in their schools. Edmentum has been instrumental in providing virtual learning support to schools in rural communities, such as Williamsburg County. This approach begins with course catalog expansion, which aims to help schools broaden curricular options that they might not be able to offer otherwise. On Thursday, February 27, 2025, the Williamsburg County School District hosted two South Carolina school districts—Hampton and Dillon Four—that have partnered with Edmentum to provide virtual learning and instructional services.

The purpose of the event was to highlight and share the success stories of rural educators who are implementing virtual learning programs in their districts. During the event, a panel of school and district administrators from Williamsburg County School District discussed the successes of WCSD and shared insights with representatives from the other two districts. The event was sponsored by Mr. Eddie Crosby of Edmentum, along with Dr. Kelvin Wymbs, Superintendent of WCSD, and took place at the WCSD District Office Complex in the Dr. Rose H. Wilder Multipurpose Room. Each panelist responded to questions related to their areas of expertise and entertained inquiries from the audience at the end of the session.

Since 2021, the Williamsburg County School District has partnered with Edmentum to provide instruction to students amid a nationwide teacher shortage that has impacted districts like theirs. Edmentum has proven to be a valuable asset for WCSD students and continues to be so. The organization believes that every student deserves the opportunity to thrive in any learning environment. They collaborate with K-12 educators to design, implement, and sustain programs that support learning acceleration for all students.

Edmentum utilizes an online learning program that personalizes education for students in grades K through 12 in subjects like reading, language arts, and math. The program begins with an adaptive assessment that identifies each child's academic strengths and weaknesses, then prescribes a tailored learning path consisting of lessons, practice exercises, and assessments. Students engage with this program at school and can also continue their learning at home. Typically, students spend most of their time on the learning path, focusing on one skill at a time, which may involve a lesson, a practice session, and a progress check. Additionally, teachers may assign extra work with specific due dates.