

Director Spotlights

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Marlin Ketter

Hartsville Middle School

Mr. Ketter says that learning to play an instrument helps to instill discipline, cooperation, self-esteem, creativity, critical thinking, leadership, and personal responsibility in students. He fully invests in their future, leading them to become better individuals with creative minds and a desire to make a difference in the world. He also serves as the director of the Art Summer program in Darlington County. Congratulations Mr. Ketter!



Ophelia Darby

Edisto High School

Mrs. Darby is a woman of the highest integrity. She moves heaven and earth to help people and organizations in need. She took in an independent group and gave them a home. Not a practice space, but a home. She referred to them as "her kids" and was always there to give hugs, words of encouragement, and snacks. She teaches from the heart. Any student under her is truly fortunate. Thank you so much Mrs. Darby for being the light for so many people!

We are looking to recognize outstanding South Carolina band educators and want your input.

If you would like to nominate a SC Band Director to be recognized in a future SCBDA Directors Spotlight, please email Adam Scheuch at ascheuch@bandlink.org. Include the director's name, school, a pic, and all the exciting things they have done for us to celebrate.

